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CHINA HAS THREE CHANCES TO WIN THE WAR, SAYS GEN. PAI CHUNG-HSI

World Pressure May Be Used Against Japan

KWEILIN, FEB. 20 (CENTRAL)—THE POSSIBILITY FOR CHINA TO WIN THE FINAL VICTORY IN THE CURRENT WAR WAS EXPLAINED BY GEN. PAI CHUNG-HSI, DIRECTOR OF THE GENERALISSIMO'S SOUTH-WEST PROVISIONAL HEADQUARTERS, AT A RECEPTION TO A GROUP OF CULTURAL LEADERS AT AN UNDISCLOSED PLACE YESTERDAY.

THE WELL-KNOWN CHINESE STRATEGIST OPINED THAT IN PROTRACTED WARFARE CHINA HAS THREE CHANCES TO WIN:

- FIRST, to drive out the invaders through self-rejuvenation and strengthening;
- SECOND, to bring about Japan's collapse by draining her man-power and material resources; and
- THIRD, to wait for a more favourable turn in the international situation when the full pressure of the world may be brought to bear upon Japan.

Gen. Pai said that either of these chances is highly probable as evidenced by the course of events.

The Japanese serious setbacks in Shanxi, North Hupeh, North Hunan, South Kwangsi and North Kwangtung, the Kwangsi General pointed out, indicated the gradual weakening of Japan's military force. The largest number of troops which Japan can mobilise is between 70 and 80 Divisions. Already over 50 Divisions have been mobilised. Formerly reinforcements were able-bodied men in active service, but those recently sent to China are mostly reservists either over or below age.

CHINA'S STRENGTH

In contrast to Japan's dwindling military strength China's fighting force, Gen. Pai declared, has been greatly increased in the course of the war and by virtue of the experience gained in the field it has made great improvements in its tactics.

Economically, Gen. Pai stated, the war has been an enormous strain upon the limited resources

of Japan, which was already hard up financially even before the war. Her war expenditure has now exceeded 20,000,000,000 yen and her loans will amount to as much as 24,000,000,000 yen in March.

CRITICAL SITUATION

The imbroglio caused by the speech by Takao Saito, member of the Minseitō Party, in the Diet on Feb. 3 betrayed the anxiety of the Japanese people over the critical situation.

Gen. Pai declared that Japan is fast heading for economic bankruptcy. Hampered by her economic difficulties, the Japanese Army can occupy Chinese cities but can not hold them long. In the end it will experience the same defeat as Germany did in the last World War and Napoleon in the Moscow expedition.

MORE ISOLATED

Diplomatically, Japan will become more and more isolated. The day will come when the peace-loving Powers will present a common front against Japan and apply sanctions against her, General Pai predicted.

However, Gen. Pai warned that it would be a big mistake for the Chinese to hope for quick victory. Only a long bitter fight to the end will bring about China's ultimate victory. Referring to recent hostilities in South Kwangsi, Gen. Pai said that fighting was in favour of the Chinese troops. He regretted that the Japanese had not penetrated deeper into the province.



GEN. PAI CHUNG-HSI

Severe Blows Inflicted On Japanese

KINHWA, Feb. 22 (Central)—Severe blows have been inflicted upon the Japanese who crossed to the south bank of the Chientang River, in East Chekiang.

Japanese units pushing down the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway from Siaoshan have been defeated in the vicinity of Chienhsan, 14 and half miles south of Siaoshan, and are fleeing northward.

The Japanese on the west bank of the Puyang River, a tributary of the Chientang, have also been hurled back.

The Chinese, latest military despatches indicate, are steadily converging on Siaoshan.

To the north-east of Siaoshan, the Chinese have recaptured Anchang and Shunli. Kanshan and Chieshan have also been cleared of Japanese troops, who have been pushed back to the Chientang River.

SEESAW BATTLE

ON THE SOUTH KWANGSI FRONT, Feb. 22 (Central)—A seesaw battle is raging in the area between Santang and Ssutang on the Nanning-Pinyang highway.

JAPANESE PRISONERS

ON THE SOUTH FUKIEN FRONT, Feb. 22 (Central)—It is reported that about 80 Japanese and puppet soldiers were captured and 200 surrendered upon the Chinese recapture of Tungshan Island, off the south Fukien coast, 55 nautical miles, south-west of Amoy, recently.

CHUNGKING BEFLAGGED FOR ENTHRONEMENT OF THE 14TH DALAI LAMA

CHUNGKING, Feb. 22 (Reuters)—All Chungking was beflagged today on the occasion of the enthronement of the fourteenth Dalai Lama.

Newspapers this morning published pictures of the new Dalai Lama, his parents and the Prince Regent of Tibet.

The Mongolian and Tibetan Affairs Commission of the Chinese Government released a lengthy article giving the history of Chinese and Tibetan relations and stressing the friendly attitude on the part of the Tibetan Regent towards Chungking and also the policy of the Chinese Government to advocate equity among the races and freedom of religion.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, Dr. H. H. Kung, Minister of Finance, and Dr. Sun Fo, President of the Legislative Yuan, telegraphed the new Dalai Lama congratulating him on his enthronement.

A Buddhist prayer meeting will take place at Changansse, the famous temple here, when prominent Government, Party, military and public leaders are expected to be present to celebrate the enthronement.

One hundred and eight Buddhist monks will offer prayers at a special ceremony to be held on the top of Mount Omel, the famous sacred mountain in west Szechuen.

Harsh German Treatment

LONDON, Feb. 22 (BWS)—After months in a Nazi gaol enduring the harshest treatment and undernourishment, eight British women and two boys arrived back in England last night.

Three of the women were English governesses who were teaching Polish children when the Germans began to bomb Oradour. One woman had a paralysed leg but no doctor was allowed to see her while in gaol.

GERMANY BARS RED CROSS AID FOR POLAND

NEW YORK, Feb. 22 (Reuters)—A Washington despatch to the New York Times says that Germany has effectively barred Red Cross aid for Poland except in Warsaw, the Governor-General of the district states.

This was revealed when Mr. Norman Davis, Chairman of the Red Cross, announced that an agreement was made with Germany by which representatives would be permitted to supervise the distribution of \$400,000 worth of medicines and warm clothing, from the United States, by the Polish German Red Cross.

INTEGRAL PART

The Germans hold that other parts of German Poland have become an integral part of the Reich and cannot be entered by American workers.

The Russians also refused any concessions permitting the entrance of Red Cross supervisors in Soviet-occupied Poland.

Because of the failure to permit unrestricted deliveries of Red Cross supplies, the feeling is stated to be growing in Washington that the Nazis are eliminating any Poles capable of leadership.

GERMAN N.C.O.'S CAUGHT

PARIS, Feb. 22 (Reuters)—A War communiqué states that east of the Moselle an enemy raid was driven back. Two German non-commissioned officers were made prisoner by one of our patrols.

Dark Days For Dutch Shipping

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 22 (Reuters)—Dismay and indignation are felt in the latest disasters of Dutch ships caused by the war. In addition to the Tara Denhaag, the trawler Fetteen was mined off the Dutch coast.

Since the start of the war, Holland lost 14 merchantmen and two naval vessels owing to mines and torpedo action.

The newspaper Maasbode says: "These are dark days for Dutch shipping. Apart from the valuable ships and lives sacrificed, the question of cargoes lost is giving rise to growing concern."

The Tara Denhaag was carrying grain and petroleum, which commodities are of primary importance to Holland, and this aspect of the matter is beginning to engage the serious attention of the Dutch authorities.

NELSON JOHNSON

CHUNGKING, Feb. 22 (Reuters)—The United States Ambassador, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, arrived at Chungking yesterday afternoon by train from Hanoi.

After a short stay at Chungking of probably of one or two days, he will proceed to Chungking by motor car.

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"Equality Of Opportunity For All" Only Foundation For Lasting World Peace, Declares Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell

ECKFORD APPEAL HEARING ON FEB. 27

SHANGHAI, Feb. 22 (Reuters)—It is learned that the appeal of Private Eckford, of the Seaforth Highlanders, on against the death sentence passed on Jan. 11 for the murder of Sergeant Davis, of the same regiment, on Nov. 4, 1939, will be heard by the High Court here on Feb. 27.

The Court will consist of Sir Alan Mossop, Judge of H.M. Supreme Court for China, Judge P. Grant Jones, Assistant Judge and Sir Atholl MacGregor, Chief Justice of Hongkong, who is coming here specially for the trial.

NAZI PAPER'S ATTACK ON BELGIUM

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuters)—The National Zeitung, Essen, Field-Marshal von Goering's mouthpiece, attacks Belgium because a Belgian company purchased eight American ships, says the German wireless.

The newspaper declares that the Belgian Government had sanctioned the transaction, which favours Britain and France, and is destined to evade the American Neutrality Law to the advantage of the Western Powers.

The purchase of the ships, which will ply between New York, Belgium, England and France, became known on Feb. 15.

CASUALTY LIST OF H.M.S. DARING

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuters)—The Casualty List of the destroyer Daring gave the names of nine officers including Commander S. A. Cooper. It is stated that 147 others are missing and are believed to have been drowned.



The Heinrich Jessen which was launched by Mrs. J. H. Jessen at the Kowloon Docks yesterday at 6.30 p.m. The ship has been built to the order of Rhederi M. Jensen A/S, Aabenraa, Denmark and is of 3,200 tons.

Danish Steamer Launched At The Kowloon Docks

THAT "EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL" WAS THE ONLY FOUNDATION WHICH LASTING WORLD PEACE CAN BE BUILT, was emphasised by the Hon. Mr. Stanley H. Dodwell, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., at the launching of the s.s. HEINRICH JESSEN at the Kowloon Docks yesterday evening.

THE CHRISTENING CEREMONY WAS PERFORMED BY MRS. J. H. JESSEN, THE WIFE OF THE MANAGER OF THE HONGKONG OFFICE OF JESSEN AND CO.

The Heinrich Jessen is a 3,200-ton single-screw passenger and cargo vessel and is built to the order of Rhederi M. Jensen A/S, Aabenraa, Denmark.

There was a large gathering present on the stage when Mrs. Jessen, with a silver mallet, sent the new vessel gracefully on her way into the water.

At the reception held after the ceremony, the Hon. Mr. Dodwell, presiding, proposed the toast to the Heinrich Jessen and its Owners. With Mr. Dodwell at the main table were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Jessen and Mr. E. Cock, M.B.E., M.I.C.E., M.I.N.A., Chief Manager of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company.

HON. MR. S. H. DODWELL

Hon. Mr. Dodwell said, in part: The Heinrich Jessen is the highest class of China Coast; the summation of Messrs. Jessen's 70 years' experience of trading on the China Coast. Built to Lloyd's classification rules and under their survey, the embodies also all the latest safety requirements of the Hongkong Government as set out in what are known as the Smith Rules as well as satisfying Danish Governmental requirements in all respects.

She will be propelled by engines using superheated steam and fitted with a Götaverken Turbo Compressor to get the utmost power and efficiency out of the steam generated in her two Scotch boilers.

The Dock Company secured this valuable order largely through the influence of my old friend and colleague on the Dock Board, Heinz Jessen, who was himself "launched" in Hongkong.

When I heard that the name of this ship was to be the Heinrich Jessen I wished that it might have been named "Heinz" after the Hongkong representative of the Jessen family, for then the Dock Company could have looked forward in pleasant anticipation to the orders for the other 56 varieties!

Some of you who have so kindly come in response to our invitation today may have noticed that the last two public launchings we have had were of ship which will wear the ensigns of Norway and Australia. This ship will fly the Danish emblem.

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SUSPECTED MURDER IN PINGSHAN

Believed to have been strangled to death, the body of a woman, later identified as Liu Mui, 32, was discovered by villagers in a match-shed in the Chinese Garden City, Pingshan, about 10 o'clock yesterday morning.

Inquiries made have so far failed to bring out any motive for the crime. Police investigation is proceeding.

Two German Bombers Shot Down

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuters)—Two German raiders were brought down this morning.

The Air Ministry announces that an enemy aircraft was shot down by R. A. F. fighters off the north-east coast shortly after midday.

The second Heinkel was attacked by Spitfires of the Coastal Command and crashed on land near Saint Abbs Head.

ABBEY SERVICE FOR LATE LORD TWEEDSMUIR

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuters)—The Archbishop of Canterbury officiated at a simple memorial service for the late Lord Tweedsmuir at Westminster Abbey this morning, assisted by the Presbyterians, Dr. Archibald Fleming, who read the Lesson.

A large congregation included the new Lord Tweedsmuir, who is an officer in the Canadian forces, and other members of the family, also a majority of the members of the Cabinet, headed by the Prime Minister, Mr. Chamberlain.

Lord Clarendon represented the King while Canada was represented by the High Commissioner, Mr. Vincent Massey, the former Governor-General, Lord Bessborough, and thirty-officers and details of the Canadian troops.

The High Commissioners of other Dominions were also present and also the Speaker of the House of Commons, Earl Baldwin, Gen. Sir Ian Hamilton, the Belgian Ambassador and Mr. J. H. Thomas (for the Dominions Secretary).

Armaments For Trawlers Justified By Results

LONDON, Feb. 22 (BWS)—The provision of defence armaments for fishing and merchant ships, which had been forced on Britain because of air attacks on trawlers and similar vessels, has already been justified by results.

Both on Monday and Tuesday an air offensive was launched against fishermen and on each day the Nazi raiders met with an unexpected welcome from machine-guns.

Although the German airmen succeeded in wounding three fishermen it will be interesting to notice whether these raids will be persisted in now that immediate resistance is forthcoming. Hitherto the Nazis were comparatively safe from interference to "tip and run" raids having all the sea to choose from and were usually able to get away before British fighters have a chance of appearing on the scene.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1940

17th, 19th, 20th, 21st and 24th February.

On Saturday, 17th, Monday, 19th, Tuesday, 20th and Wednesday, 21st February, the first bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m., and the first race will be run at 12.00 NOON. On Saturday, 24th February, the first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

The tiffin interval will be after the fourth race on the first four days of the Meeting.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURES

Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax—or \$40.00 including tax for the Meeting (ladies \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively) are obtainable through the Secretary upon the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all chits, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, EXCHANGE BUILDING, (Tel. 27794) WILL CLOSE AT 10.00 a.m. ON THE FIRST FOUR DAYS, and at 12.00 NOON ON THE FIFTH DAY.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy, (Tel. 21920).

On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting. No amahs will be allowed on the Fifth Day.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tiffins will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES.

Passes for Servants will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY on application to the Secretary, 1st floor, Exchange Building.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the Enclosure.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 11th Feb. 1940.

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Volunteers' Cricket Team To Meet The University

The following will represent the Volunteers at Cricket against the University on Sunday at the University ground, commencing at 2 p.m.

R. M. King, L. G. Baker, R. T. Broadbridge, D. G. Day, R. H. Griffiths, D. Hung, N. A. E. Mackay, O. Parsons, T. M. Sutter, A. Zimmerman, A. N. Other.



Programme For First Extra Race Meeting

CARD OF NINE EVENTS ON-MAR. 9

The Hongkong Jockey Club's First Extra Race Meeting will be held at Happy Valley on Saturday, March 9, at 2 p.m. The first studding bell will be at 1.30 p.m. There will be nine races on the card and entries will close at the Secretary's Office at noon on Feb. 29.

THE PROGRAMME

The following is the programme: 1.—2 P.M.—Hay and Corn Stakes—From the 1 1/2 Mile Post (About Half Mile 170 Yards)

Winner \$750, 2nd \$300, 3rd \$200. For China Ponies, Subscription Griffins of this Club of any Season that have started at a Race Meeting of this club since Feb. 16, 1940, and have not won. Weight: 10 lb. under weight for inches. To be ridden by jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere at any time. Jockeys, 2 lb. penalty for each race won; maximum penalty 10 lb. No Whips or Spurs allowed. Entrance \$5.

2.—Lotters Stakes (6 Furlongs) Winner \$750, 2nd \$300, 3rd \$200. For China Ponies, bona fide Griffins of this Season that have started at a race meeting of this club and have not won. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5.

3.—Randwick Plate (1st Sec.) (1 Mile) Winner \$750, 2nd \$300, 3rd \$200. For Australian Subscription Ponies of this Season that have started at a race meeting of this club and have not won. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5.

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Area Boxing Finals

The finals of the Hongkong Area Novices Individual Boxing tournament were fought last night at Murray Barracks and resulted as follows:—

Bantamweight
Pte. Pratt (R.S.) beat Pte. MacDonald (R.S.).
Featherweight
Pte. Corrigan (R.S.) beat Pte. Forrest (R.S.).
Lightweight
Pte. Cole (Middle) knocked out Pte. Smith (R.S.).
Middleweight
Pte. Grosgraves (R.S.) beat Pte. Clarke (R.S.).
L/C. McNelly (R.S.) lost to Bandsman Emerson (R.S.).
Light-heavy
Pte. Revell (Middle) beat L/C. Rose (Seaforths).
Heavyweight
Gnr. Ellsworth (R.A.) beat Gnr. Gronow (R.A.).

The prizes were given away by Brigadier T. McLeod who, in addressing the contestants after the fights, congratulated them on their fine display and the plucky manner in which several of the bouts were fought.

H.K.C.C. TEAMS FOR TOMORROW AGAINST K.C.C.

The following will represent the Hongkong C.C. in cricket matches against the Kowloon C.C. tomorrow at 2 p.m.

1st XI (Away)—H. Owen-Hughes (Capt.), C. G. Alkenhead, C. W. E. Bishop, D. de J. Carey, J. H. Fox, W. G. Finkle, N. D. Lloyd, Capt. Parsons, D. O. Parsons, D. S. Robb and L. C. Smith.

2nd XI (Home)—E. J. R. Mitchell (Capt.), H. J. Armstrong, G. E. R. Dvett, R. D. Gillespie, Capt. J. F. Lawrence, Brigadier T. Macleod, N. Odell, R. S. W. Paterson, N. L. Smith, C. M. Stark and A. Weller.

H.K. University Union Athletic Meeting

The Hongkong University Union will hold their twenty-fifth annual Athletic Meet on March 9, at 1.30 p.m. at the University ground.



HANDICAP WEIGHTS FOR VALLEY TOMORROW

The following are the handicap weights for the fifth day of the Annual Race meeting tomorrow:—1st Race Griffins Spring Handicap (1 Mile)

Attacking Time 148, Blue Skies 158, Bronze Arrow 151, Care Free 151, Craigavad 168, Dingo 158, Distinctive Time 151, Dupont Bay 151, Eve of Dancin' 151, Eve of Folly 158, Eve of Hunting 148, Eve of Peace 148, Eve of Reason 151, For All Time 161, Gay Star 161, Hillsboro Bay 145, Hopetul Star 151, Humber 151, Jane Doe 151, Johnner 158, Kentucky 145, Lauraber 151, Little Princess 145, Lusitania 151, National Success 142, Chio 151, Ojibway (late Egmout Bay) 161, O-Lan 158, Omaha 161, Oomph 158, Patricia 151, Possible 163, Resisting Time 158, Ronson 148, Rose Perfect 161, Silver Wings 161, Smashing Through 151, Thirty Six 158, Victoria 158, White Diamond 157, Xenophon 151.

3rd Race Ichang Handicap—1st Section "B" Class (From 2 M.P.) Avon 146, Bear Claw 159, Blue Express 159, Conquering Time 156, English Cavalier 151, Galaxy 155, H.C.C. View 140, Humdrum Eve 160, Hyndford Bridge 148, King's Warden 151, Lilliber 161, Red Feather 158, Rob Roy 147, Rose Emily 146.

4th Race Tai Ping Handicap—1st Section "D" Class (6 Furlongs) Blister 160, Chatterbox 152, Dekko 140, Double Chance 140, Estover 148, Gold Coin 143, Golden Cow 145, Kut Cheung 150, Night View 168, Orange Boven 153, Plet Hein 150, Plain View 140, Shipmaster 161, Smiling Time 140, Some Hope 150, Strathdoon 143, The Leopard 158, The Tigress 140, West Lake 153, Wilber 144, Wild Cat 160, Willynilly 140.

5th Race Benarba Handicap "C" Class (1 Mile) Amber II 150, Aztec 165, Colorado Star 135, Dick Turpin 135, Discovery Bay 150, Heinz 140, Macquarie River 140, Murray River 135, Perfect Day 142, Poconos 148, Sea Urchin 146, Strathcarrick 158, Tazman 135, Twilight Star 154, Violet Green 155, Zodiac 135.

6th Race Wuhu Handicap "B" Class (From 1 1/2 M.P.) Arabian Cat 150, Blaisdon 140, Cuban Love 161, Diogenes 145, Dragonfly 151, Gallant Marshal 145, Geordie 151, Gog 166, Green Bay 158, Heddon 156, King's Envoy 140, Lucky Eleven 146, National Honour 148, Opening Bateman 140, Pall Mall 144, Palmer 153, Rose Day 140, Sports Venture 146, Tempest 156, Tiger Eyes 140, Tribute 146, Valorous 160.

7th Race Ichang Handicap 2nd Section "B" Class (From 2 M.P.) Blue Diamond 150, Expansion Time 151, Gladiator 140, Half Moon Eve 161, Jennifer 157, Jobber 157, Just In Time 140, New Star 165, Oak Bay 152, Peaceful View 158, Pinfarthings 147, Potentate 157, Rose Flana 150, Rose Jane 140, Tuxing Master 140.

9th Race Tai Ping Handicap—2nd Section "D" Class (6 Furlongs) Ascot Vale 163, Bressay 159, Desert Star 168, Ebony Idol 145, Emergency Call 148, February Fourth 155, Fel Ying 140, Good Morning 168, Lancashire Chap 143, Matador 156, Meteor 145, National Liberty 140, Popular Star 145, Portrush 163, Radtim Star 143, Silver Star 140, Starlet 140, Sunshine Susie 140, Talkative 158, Tiny Tim 148, Wild Bear 140, Zero 168.

SPORTING FIXTURES

TODAY

BADMINTON—Mixed Doubles: Recrelo B. v. Taikoo; St. John's v. University.

TOMORROW

CRICKET—First Division: Recrelo v. Craigengower (King's Park); Army v. H.K.U. (Sookun-poo); Second Division: Craigengower O.C. v. University (Happy Valley); Police R.C. v. I.R.C. (Happy Valley).

FOOTBALL—Senior Shield, Second Round, Royal Scots v. Eastern (Sookunpoo); Kowloon v. South China A. (Kowloon); St. Joseph's v. Club (Club); Police v. Royal Navy (Boundary Street) 4.15 p.m. Junior Shield, Second Round, 30th Bty. R.A. v. Kowloon (Sookunpoo) 2.45 p.m. Third Division, International v. 5th A.A. R.A. (Club) 8.15 p.m.

Tommy Farr Not Fit For Military Duties!

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter)—Laughter greeted a statement by Sir Kingsley Wood, Air Minister, to the effect that the boxer, Tommy Farr, was released from military duty because he was found, on medical examination, to be below the required standard.

When it was suggested that Farr must be fit, because he was already staging a £20,000 purse fight for the Heavyweight Championship of the World, Sir Kingsley Wood reiterated that Farr was not up to the required standards of services.

INTERNATIONAL RUGBY TOURNEY

Teams Selected For Saturday

The following teams have been selected to play in the International Rugby Tournament on the Naval Ground at Causeway Bay on Saturday.

There will be two games: Ireland (Club Jerseys) will meet Wales (Army Jerseys) at 3 p.m. and England (White Jerseys) will meet Scotland (Navy Jerseys) at 4.45 p.m.

IRELAND v. WALES

IRELAND:—Mid. Roe (Navy); Hynes (Club); B. C. Fay (Police); Mid. Teare (Navy); R. M. Lavelle (Club); Mid. O'Riordan (Navy); Sto. Gallagher (Navy); P. F. Wanklyn (Club); L. A. (B) Brown (Capt.) (Navy); Cullinan (Police); B. Hynes (Club); J. H. Thornhill (Club); B. O'M. Deane (Club); Dempsey (Police); C. W. King (Navy).

WALES:—H. F. Hopkins (Club); W. B. Richards (Army); T. O. Morgan (Club); Spr. Artingstall (Army); Tel. Bowden (Navy); Lieut. Coombe (Army); L/Cpl. Foley (Army); A. F. Walkden (Capt.) (Club); L. A. Searle (Police); L. S. A. Palmer (Navy); L. Bdr. Evans (Army); W. L. Taylor (Navy); Mid. Murray-Jones (Navy); L. W. Bartow (Navy); L. W. Ferris (Navy).

ENGLAND v. SCOTLAND

ENGLAND:—L. Stevens (Capt.) (Navy); D. I. Bosanquet (Club); J. O. Charter (Club); Tel. Paul (Navy); F. M. Thompson (Club); Lieut. Carter (Navy); E. O. Luscombe (Police); R. E. Heasman (Club); Lieut. Hewitt (Army); Pte. Berry (Army); E. A. Bompas (Club); O. F. Needham (Club); Lieut. Ridsdale (Army); Inniss (Police); Wright-Nooth (Police).

SCOTLAND:—D. H. Taylor (Police); L/Cpl. Birrell (Army); J. Hutchinson (Club); G. C. Wilson (Police); H. G. Carruthers (Club); L/Cpl. Waite (Army); J. M. Thomson (Club); I. M. Macrae (Club); Corpl. Sutherland (Army); A. M. Kennedy (Club); 2/Lt. Cuthbertson (Capt.) (Army); 2/Lt. Millar (Army); 2/Lt. Pinkerton (Army); A. J. G. Taylor (Club); G. B. Godfrey (Club).

H.K. GOLF CLUB: STABLEFORD COMPETITION

The Hongkong Golf Club's Stableford Competition, which was played on the Old Course at Fanling from Jan. 17 to 21, resulted as follows:

L. A. R. Duncan 24+16=40 (1). A. L. Potter 21+17=38 (2). There were 48 entries.

South China (Chatham Road); Royal Scots v. 12th Bty. R.A. (Happy Valley) 2.45 p.m.; 24th R.A. v. R.A.M.C. (St. Joseph's—Happy Valley) 4.15 p.m.; R.A.S.C. v. Eng. Recs. (Happy Valley) 4.15 p.m.; HOCKEY—Clerk Clark Cup: St. Andrews v. C.B.A. (C.B.A.), 3 p.m.; C.B. School v. Hongkong (C.B. School), 3 p.m.; Brown Cup: Recrelo v. St. Andrews (Recrelo), 3 p.m.; Ladies v. D.G.S. (King's Park), 3 p.m.; C.B.A. v. C.B. School (C.B.A.), 3 p.m.

RECORD ATTENDANCE AT H.K.R.A. MID-WEEK SHOOT: OLD HANDS REVEL IN ADVERSE CONDITIONS

W.A. Tansley's Good Display At Revolver Shooting

One hundred-and-twenty-three members were present on Wednesday, at the H.K.R.A. shoot, a record number for mid-week shoots this season. The weather, however, was most unkind with a drizzling rain, and very poor visibility at 500 and 600 yards.

Nevertheless quite a number of the old hands seemed to glory in the adverse conditions and made good scores.

LEADING SCORES

Leading scores on Wednesday were:—

S.R. (a)

NETT SPOONS
Cpl. R. Langford, 1/Mx. won the S.R. (a) nett spoon with 91, and Sub-Lieut. G. J. P. Carey H.K.N. V.R. the S.R. (b) with 94.

Handicap spoons were won in S.R. (a) class by Pte. V. A. Da Cruz-Sequeira, H.K.V.D.C., Mr. A. F. Evans, R.A.F., Sgt. S. Freeman, 2/R. Scots Rgt., and Mr. H. F. Oldreive, D.R.C., and in the S.R. (b) class by R.S.M. F. Maslen, R.E., and F/Sgt. F. Tollison, R.A.F.

Mr. W. A. Tansley obtained the highest score in the revolver shoot, with 50 out of 60.

SUNDAY PROGRAMME

Firing on Sunday will be on "B" Range, at Kowloon City 200, 500 and 600 yards commencing at 8.30 a.m. sharp. The programme, arranged by 2/Royal Scots Rgt. will be:—

(1) S.R. (a) Teams of 4—No Handicaps.
(2) S.R. (b) Teams of 4—Handicaps allowed.
(3) Pairs—S.R. (a) and S.R. (b)—No Handicaps.

Teams and pairs must belong to the same Rifle Club. No one may win more than one spoon. There will also be Revolver and Clay Bird Shooting.

Miniature Rifle Shooting. It is hoped to commence miniature rifle shooting very shortly. All those interested should communicate with the Honorary Secretary Hongkong Rifle Association Command Headquarters.

HP 300 500 600 Tl.
Cpl. R. Langford Scr. 29 31 31 81
Mx. S. Croft " 30 27 28 85
L/Sgt. W. R. Wynn " 31 28 28 85
Cpl. S. G. Brighty 4 25 31 26 82
Pte. V. A. Da Cruz-Sequeira 7 26 27 28 81
Piper A. J. Milne Nil 28 27 26 81
Sgt. G. E. Brees " 27 30 24 81
Sgt. M. F. Rushman 2 30 29 22 81
Pte. G. A. Ribeiro 5 30 26 21 79
Mr. A. F. Evans 9 31 27 21 79
Pte. D. Scott Nil 24 28 25 77
Sgt. R. J. Heap 3 27 27 23 77
Cpl. M. Neave Nil 27 24 21 72
Cpl. F. Cole 5 30 25 17 72
Sgt. S. Freeman 8 26 23 23 71
Sgt. N. J. Booker 12 28 28 15 71
C.S.M. J. C. E. Mead 3 25 28 19 70
L/Cpl. G. M. Dias Azeido 8 24 22 23 69
Cpl. R. V. Danenberg 9 18 27 23 68
L/Sgt. J. D. Remedios 7 24 25 17 68
P.C. Narain Singh 8 25 25 16 68
Mr. H. F. Oldreive 14 19 24 22 65
Pte. M. Xavier 11 25 19 20 64
Cpl. G. S. Lochrie Nil 17 23 22 63
Mr. H. A. Evans 10 21 26 14 61
Dmr. D. Robertson Nil 18 26 18 60

S.R. (b)

Sub-Lieut. G. J. P. Carey Scr. 29 34 31 94
Lt. A. J. Le Seclieur " 29 30 33 92
R.S.M. F. Maslen 3 30 32 30 92
F/Sgt. F. Tollison 2 33 31 28 92
A.S.P. (R) D. Lole Scr. 34 33 24 81
Mr. H. L. Langley 1 32 32 26 80
C/Sgt. F. Hall Scr. 30 30 28 80
B/M. W. Riddford 3 30 32 27 80
Mr. J. A. Guard 31 33 25 80
2/Lt. T. O. Hunter Nil 30 30 28 80
L/Sgt. P.uran Scr. 32 33 23 88
Mr. W. K. Gillman 3 30 30 27 87
P.S. Chanchal " 30 30 25 87
Sgt. E. G. Bremner 5 28 33 24 83
Major S. White 2 29 27 27 83
Mr. A. J. Herd 4 25 32 26 83
L/Sgt. W.

KOTEWALL CUP FINAL

CHINESE TEAM TO BE SELECTED ON THE GROUND

The final of the Kotewall Cup charity football competition will be played on the Navy ground, Causeway Bay, on Sunday at 4.15 p.m. between South China Athletic Association and The Army.

The Chinese team will be selected from the following players:—Cheung Wing-choi ("B"); Lee Ting-sang ("A"), Hau Yung-sang ("B"), and Mak Shiu-hon ("A"); Soong Ling-sing ("A"), Leung Wing-chiu ("A"), Kwok Ying-ki ("B"), Lam Tak-po ("B"); Lee Wai-tong ("A"), Fung King-cheong ("A"), Lai Shiu-wing ("A"), Chan Tak-fai ("B"), Tang Kwong-sam ("A"), Ip Pak-wah ("A") and Lau Tau-man ("A").

Results to date in the Kotewall Cup competition are as follows:—S. C. A. 5 v. Royal Navy 2. Army 5 v. Royal Navy 1.

PLAYER INJURED

It is learned that Leung Wing-chiu the South China "A" centre-half, who injured his back in the match against Saigon last Saturday is in hospital though he hopes to be out by today.

BUSY WEEK-END

The South China players will have a full programme this week-end as both "A" and "B" teams are engaged in League matches in the Senior Division tomorrow, the former meeting Kowloon on the K. F. C. ground and the latter playing against Kwong Wah at the Boundary Street ground.

For this reason the final line-out in the Kotewall Cup match will be decided on the ground on Sunday afternoon.

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"Rio" Opens At King's Today

The discovery of a new star by some eminent astronomer may stir his fellow associates but the great body of his fellow citizens probably won't get worked up about it. But a new movie star like Sigrid Gurie is something else. You're going to hear much of her. She plays the feminine lead in the Universal picture, "Rio," which opens today at the King's Theatre. Basil Rathbone and Victor McLaglen are the stars.

"Rio" is a narrative of modern people set in the world they inhabit, each with their own peculiar philosophies. It is, in a breath, the story of a glamorous Farlan case singer. She is married to a wealthy crook but falls in love with a restless American engineer in Rio.



Sigrid Gurie, Robert Cummings and Basil Rathbone in Universal's production of "Rio," now showing at the King's Theatre.

COMING EVENTS

FEB

23—Tides: High 9.40 a.m. and 9.20 p.m. Low 3.25 a.m. and 2.45 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.41 a.m.; Sunset: 6.23 p.m.
H.K.A.J.C. present "The Circus" at Cinema Fleets Club, 8 p.m.
St. Andrew's Club, Whist Drive, 8.40 p.m.
Institute of Engineers and Shipbuilders: Lecture on "Television" by Mr. P. V. Reveyer.
R.E.O.C.A. General Meeting, Wellington Barracks, 8 p.m.
Chess Club: Darts, Table-Tennis, Billiards.
Entries close for Dog and Cat Show, Kowloon, Guides and Brownies, Bridge and Mahjongg Drive, St. Andrew's Hall, 3 p.m.
Diocesan Old Girls and Old Boys' Assn. Supper Dance at Peninsula Hotel, 9 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. Badminton from 8 p.m.
Ladies Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—1 p.m.
Exhibition of Chinese Cultural Works at Fung Ping Shan Library, 11 a.m.—6 p.m.
H.K. Union Church, Jumble Sale, 2.30 p.m.
Exhibition of Paintings at St. John's Hall, H.K. University, 9.30 a.m.—3.30 p.m.
Sino-British Cultural Assn. Mtg., H.K. University, Room E, 5.30 p.m.
H.K. Polo Club Dance at Pao Club, S. & S. Home: Servicemen's Dance, 6.30 p.m.
Violin Recital by Mr. Chao Pu-wel, H.K. Hotel, 9.30 p.m.
Toc H, Chater Room, St. Andrew's, 9.45 p.m.
Holston May Inst: Christian Fellowship, 10.30 a.m.
24—Tides: High 10.15 a.m. and 10.10 p.m. Low 4.25 a.m. and 3.58 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.50 a.m.; Sunset: 6.24 p.m.
H.K. Jockey Club's Annual Meeting, Fifth Day, 2.30 p.m.
R.E.O.C.A. Annual Ball.
Entries close for Colony Lawn Tennis Championships, 6 a.m.
H.K. Golf Club: Final of Stubbis due for completion. First Round of Mixed Foursomes due for completion.
Claims against estate of Helen Adelaide Harry due.
Exhibition of Chinese Cultural Works at Fung Ping Shan Library, 11 a.m.—6 p.m.
Exhibition of Paintings at St. John's Hall, H.K. University, 9.30 a.m.—3.30 p.m.
25—Tides: High 10.52 a.m. and 11 p.m. Low 4.35 a.m. and 4.25 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.59 a.m.; Sunset: 6.24 p.m.
H.K. Golf Club: Final of Junior Championship due for completion.
Exhibition of Chinese Cultural Works at Fung Ping Shan Library, 11 a.m.—6 p.m.
Exhibition of Paintings at St. John's Hall, H.K. University, 9.30 a.m.—3.30 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group, 9 p.m.
Speaker: Rev. R. D. Rees.
Soccer: Kowloon Cup Final, Causeway Bay, 9.30 p.m.
26—Tides: High 11.29 a.m. and 11.50 p.m. Low 5.10 a.m. and 5.15 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.50 a.m.; Sunset: 6.25 p.m.
Diocesan Boys' School New Term, 9 a.m.
China Light and Power Co. Hok On Station Inauguration, 5 p.m.
Criminal Sessions Open, 10 a.m.
Crown Land Sale, P.W.D., 3 p.m.
St. Teresa's Church: Requiem Mass for the late Mrs. C. S. Alves.
Ladies Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—1 p.m.
Exhibition of Chinese Cultural Works at Fung Ping Shan Library, 11 a.m.—6 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. War Work, 10 a.m.; Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m.; A.D.C. Rehearsal, 9 p.m.
27—Y.M.C.A. Bridge Class, 10 a.m.; Badminton from 8 p.m.
28—Third H.K.V.D. Camp ends.
H.K. and Shanghai Banking Corp. Annual Mtg., 11.30 a.m.
Y.M.C.A. Badminton (all day); Gramophone Recital, 9 p.m.
29—Final dividend to H.K. and Shanghai Bank shareholders payable. Chess Championship continued. Leap Year Ball at Gloucester Hotel in aid of B.W.O.F., 9.30 p.m.
Central British Assn. Dance.
Theosophical Society: Lecture "Re-incarnation," by Mr. M. R. Deb.
Urban Council Election.
Y.M.C.A. Games Morning, 10 a.m.; A.D.C. Rehearsal, 9 p.m.
Entries close for H.K. Jockey Club's First Extra Race Meeting at noon.

FIRING PRACTICE

Light-gun firing practice will be carried out between the hours of 4.30 p.m. and 12 mid-night today.

Alternatively, (date Feb. 24, Firing Area 'C' will be utilized.

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Signal March of the Cavalry (Kolodtchik); The Imprisoned Cossacks (Nistchensky).

12.38 Tchaikovsky—Francesca da Rimini, Op. 32.

Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra of New York conducted by John Barbirolli.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Reginald Dixon at the Organ.

Dancing Time No. 5—Intro: The Fox-Trot—Grandma said: I miss you in the morning; The Waltz—I shall always remember you smiling; Where the Shannon flows down to the sea; Dixon Hits No. 21—Intro: Tears in my heart; In my little red book; Once in a while; The prettiest little patchwork quilt; The girl in the Alice Blue Gown; Don't ever change.

1.15 Duke Ellington and His Orchestra.

Fox-Trot—Moon Over Dixie; Swing—Echoes of Babylon; Show, Beat, Shuffle; Fox-Trots—Admiration; Merry-Go-Round.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 The London Piano-Accordeon Band.

Six Hit Medley No. 1—Intro: Easter Parade; Dancing with My Shadow; She wore a little jacket of blue; Roll Along Prairie Moon; Girl With Dreamy Eyes; My Dance; Remembrance (Melini and Others); Where The Mountains Meet the Sea (Butler and Tiley); Don't Dingle Dangle on the Old Garden Wall (Butler and Tiley); The Vamp of Havana (Gibbert and Sullivan); An Old Hawaiian Guitar (Leon and Towers); On the Beach at Ball-Ball (Silver and Others); Six Hit Medley No. 2—Intro: In a Little Gypsy Tea Room; Rehearsing a Lullaby; Kiss me Goodnight; Lullaby of Broadway; Little Golden Locket; Call me Sweetheart.

2.15 Close down.

6.00 Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan.

"H.M.S. Pinafore"—Selection—The B.B.C. Theatre Orchestra directed by Stanford Robinson. "The Mikado": I am so Proud—Leo Sheffeld, Henry A. Lytton and George Baker. Our Great Mikado—George Baker (Baritone) and Chorus of Men, Young Men, Despair—Leo Sheffeld, Derek Oldham, and George Baker. And Have I Journeyed—Derek Oldham and Leo Sheffeld. "Buddigore"—Vocal Gems—Columbia Light Opera Company with Orch.

6.25 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.30 Dance Music.

Slow Fox-Trot—Bull It in C; Fox-Trot—Doctor Rhythm (from the film) "The New Years Swing—The Highland Swing; Polka—When They Played the Polka—Primo Scala's Accordeon Band. Slow Fox-Trot—There's Rain in My Eyes; The Red Maple Leaves—Mantovani and His Orchestra. "Tangoes—Siempre Unidos; El Que A Elirio Mata—Orquesta Tipica Francesa; Fox-Trot—Daddy's Boy; In a Little Dutch Kindergarten—Jan Garber and His Orchestra. Waltz—Midnight Waltz—Gino Bordin and His Hawaiians.

7.05 London Relay—"Swing, Brothers, Swing."

With Billy Bennett.

7.10 London Relay—"The News."

7.15 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

7.20 Studio—Recital by Father O'Mara (Baritone) and A. T. Lay (Piano).

7.40 To the Sea (MacDowell)—A. T. Lay at the Piano, 2; (a) A Fairy Story By The Fire (Merikanto); (b) O Golden Age of Innocence (Brahms), Op. 63, No. 8—Father O'Mara (Baritone) with Piano accompy by A. T. Lay, 3; A.D. 1890 (MacDowell)—A. T. Lay at the Piano, 4; (a) A Border Home (Montaigne) (Phillips); (b) Thanks be to God (Stanley Dickson)—Father O'Mara (Baritone) with Piano accompy by A. T. Lay.

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SHANGHAI, Feb. 21 (Havas).—Lecturing before the Shanghai Art Collectors' Society, Mr. Hsu Wei-han, a historian and author, traced the history of the Koo family to the famed scholars and literati who lived in Shanghai in the middle of the fifteenth century.

The lecturer said that the Chinese scholars used to judge a man's knowledge or intelligence by means of his technique in calligraphy, while a woman's knowledge was distinguished by her craftsmanship in embroidery.

The ladies of the Koo family have been immortalized as "saints of the needle" through their embroidery technique. Thus the term "Koo sh" became synonymous with embroidery, and is now used to describe the finest embroideries.

PARIS, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—A few small exchanges of artillery fire between casemates on the Rhine were reported by the French military authorities yesterday.

On the Vosges Front, French batteries opened fire on some German working parties.

Fog prevented air activity.

WAR COMMUNIQUE.

A war communique states that there was local infantry and artillery action and a renewal of air activity.

PLANES OVER HOLLAND

THE HAGUE, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Dutch and aircraft batteries opened fire on foreign planes of unknown nationality near Den Helder during last night, it was officially announced.

WELL PREPARED

The correspondent adds that Turkey is well prepared for any eventuality and has no fears of the consequences of Soviet propaganda against herself.

It is well-known that Turkish military authorities are in the closest touch with General Weygand, the French Commander-in-Chief of the Middle East, and General Sir Archibald Wavell, British Commander of all our troops, considerable in number, in the Middle East.

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, reporting on the recent arrests of Britons in Japan, said that the Reverend F. E. Watts, an Australian, in charge of the Kobe Branch Mission to Seamen, Mr. H. J. Griffiths, of the firm of J. L. Thompson and Company and Mr. V. O. Peters, had been detained by the Japanese police since Jan. 1. The precise nature of the charges against them had not yet been officially specified.

LONDON, "Feb." 22 (Reuter).—British interests have decided to take legal action to secure the release of British cargoes from German ships lying in neutral ports. The step follows the breakdown of negotiations under the board of Trade License with German owners for the release of British cargoes.

At a meeting of British Cargo Owners yesterday, it was stated that £150,000 worth of cargoes had been handed to owners in bases where such cargoes could be obtained against payment on the basis of five per cent refugee contribution.

With the rupture of negotiations, however, it was no longer proposed to allow the Germans to release individual cargoes where it suited them and it was necessary to take such concerted legal action in selected cases as would convince the Germans that they would be wise to make an agreement for a general release.

KUNMING, Feb. 22 (Central)—The American Ambassador to China, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, arrived here from Hanoi by train with his retinue yesterday.

He was greeted at the station by Mr. Yang Chu-an, representing Gen. Lung Yun, Chairman, of the Yunnan Provincial Government, and other officials.

NAZI RAIDER IN SOUTH ATLANTIC

—A Nazi pocket-battleship—either the Deutschland or Admiral Scheer—is now in the South Atlantic, waiting to attack merchantships and to avenge the Graf Spee, according to the newspaper El Pueblo, which quotes an "authorised source."

The newspaper assumes that the German cargo boat Lahn, which recently loaded coal and left ostensibly for Buenos Aires, will act as the supply ship for the rocket battleship.

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1	Labyrinth	58	Goddess of discord	25	Chair
5	Apititude	57	Adroitness	26	Sing
8	Covered colonnade	58	Insane	27	Regulish
12	Portent	59	Submissive	28	Remedy
13	Nelther		DOWN	29	Involving comparison
14	So	1	Peat bog	33	Desired eagerly
15	Weight of India	2	So be it!	36	Lament
16	Arrived	3	Naught	37	Goddess of dawn
17	Worthless leavings	4	Half an em	39	Expired
18	Breathed heavily in sleep	5	Garlands	40	Wing
20	Melody	6	Gipsy	44	Those persons
22	Native metals	7	Allowance for waste	46	Peel
23	Annoy	8	Pebbles	47	One of the Great Lakes
27	Institution of higher learning	9	Menace	48	Writing table
30	Compound ether	10	Begonol	49	Sull
31	Move swiftly	11	Dolt	50	Money of account
32	Cunning	16	Wax	52	Macaw
34	Organ of hearing	19	Wand	56	Printer's measure
35	Thin gauze-like material	21	North		
38	Sticklers for scholarship		American Indian		
41	Salutation	23	Slender young woman		
42	Concealed vapor				
43	Kiln for hop-drying				
45	Gathered				
49	Hindu self-discipline				
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also

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Lots may be inspected on Monday, 28th February, 1940. (Only British subjects will be admitted into H.M. Naval Establishments to view or bid for the lots).

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Hongkong, 12th Feb., 1940.

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ARGENTINA & CHINA:

Diplomatic And Commercial
Treaty Is Foreshadowed
In Y's Men's Club Talk

The early completion of a diplomatic and commercial treaty between the Argentine Republic and China was foreshadowed by Mr. Ramon M. Lavalle, Argentine Consul in Hongkong, when he addressed a large gathering of members of the H.K.Y.'s Men's Club, at their weekly tiffin meeting, at the St. Francis Hotel yesterday.

"Although Argentina and China are a great distance apart, they can be brought closer together by sympathetic action," said Mr. Lavalle.

CLOSER RELATIONS

"It is my purpose here to serve both countries, to bring them together in business as well as in cultural affairs, and to put into effect, for the first time, a diplomatic and commercial treaty between Argentina and China; to offer here our goods and to carry to my country the products of China."

"There are not any distances or obstacles which cannot be solved. If behind them rest a strong and good wish. I hope that one day Argentina will be as popular in China as any other country."

NO ENEMIES

Introducing his talk with a geographical picture of Argentina and the growth and development of the young republic, Mr. Lavalle said, in part:—

For over hundred years my people have been working and struggling in order to build up a country based in justice, peace and liberty; and today we can say with pride that we have fully succeeded in doing so.

Argentina has no enemies. As a State she is invariably neutral in all wars and international problems; however, more than once in the League of Nations and International Congresses, and elsewhere once and again, we have strongly condemned all forms of aggression, whatever the pretext and whoever the aggressor is.

ALLIES OF OPPRESSED

Its against our deep sense of justice and our democratic interpretation of social and political life to invade other countries. We are

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NEW INDUSTRIAL
HOSTEL FOR
WOMENOpened By Lady
Northcote

"It is said that education is the real solution to all social evil. If that is true, I think the Y. W. C. A. have done a lot to the furtherance of this solution. Judging by the way the Y. W. C. A. progresses, I am sure this centre will be followed by many others," remarked Lady Northcote, yesterday at the opening of the new Y. W. C. A. Industrial Girls' Service Centre yesterday at No. 143, Tam Kung Road, Kowloon City.

Lady Northcote was welcomed to the new centre by Mrs. Nancy L. Gockchin, who, in a short address of welcome, recalled the part played in the Y. W. C. A.'s financial campaign last year by the Colony's First Lady.

"Lady Northcote has given the Association much support, not only in spirit, but in actual deed," Mrs. Gockchin said, "During our financial campaign last year, as a result of her energetic appeals to the public by broadcasting and etc., the Y. W. C. A. succeeded in securing a number of valued supporters who had not given us their support before."

Mrs. Lam Woo presided and the Very Rev. J. L. Wilson Dean of St. John's Cathedral, also spoke.

For fifteen years the Hongkong Y. W. C. A. has carried on work among factory women and last year opened two industrial hostels—at Causeway Bay and at Wanchai.

LIVING EXPENSIVE

The growing importance of Kowloon City as an industrial district has drawn thousands of women workers to that area; living conditions are crowded and expensive—just for the privilege of occupying a bed, along with three others, a worker must pay \$5 a month. This Y. W. C. A. hostel will give a bed—a whole bed to oneself—for \$1.20 a month; and by working co-operatively the girls can provide themselves with meals at \$3.50 month; so that for less than \$5 a month the girls can find food and lodging in a Y. W. C. A. hostel.

Seven industrial centres—three of them with hostels—provide club and social activities, educational classes and reading corners.

A representative of the Industrial Clubs of these centres, Mrs. Tse Wai-hing, President of the Inter-Club Council of Y. W. C. A. Industrial Club, expressed the thanks of the industrial girls to all who participated in this opening ceremony.

THOSE PRESENT

Among those present yesterday were the Very Rev. J. L. Wilson, Lady Pollock, Mrs. Ma Ying-hui, Miss N. E. Elliott, Mrs. G. S. Kennedy-Skippon, Mrs. Ma Wing-chuan, Mrs. W. I. Griffin, Miss Alice Kwok, Miss Yip Sau-ying, Miss Wong Yuk-mon, Miss S. L. Hollis, Miss Cheng, the Rev. Edward Lee, Miss Choy Wai-han, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Goodban, Mrs. Yung, Miss E. M. Pope, and Miss Shiu Tak-hing.

BRITISH WOMAN'S BRAVERY
AT POINT OF GUN TOLD
AT CENTRAL MAGISTRACY

HOW MRS. ESTALL, WIFE OF WARRANT OFFICER ESTALL, BRAVED THE SITUATION AT THE POINT OF A PISTOL and jumped to disarm a robber who had just committed a theft, was told at the Central Court yesterday.

The alleged robber, Lau Po-lor, alias Paul Lau, 17, residing at No. 5, King Shing Street, who was apprehended by three soldiers, charged before Mr. R. Edwards with the larceny of two silver chains and two religious medallions.

Possession of arms and ammunition:

Shooting with intent to maim, disfigure or disable Mrs. Estall, and

Shooting with intent to prevent lawful apprehension.

Inspector C. H. Goodwin said that about 10 a.m. on January 28 Wu Lin-ho, amah employed by Mrs. Estall was working in the backyard in house No. 2, Warrant Officers' Quarters, and when she had finished, she returned to her room and found the defendant sitting there. Mrs. Estall came in by chance and questioned the defendant. She then searched Lau and found two silver chains and

two medallions. Mrs. Estall then sent her daughter to summon a police officer, while she kept defendant in the kitchen.

"HOLDING SOMETHING"

"After my daughter had gone we waited for a second," said Mrs. Estall in the witness-box. "The defendant asked me to let him go. I realised that he was holding something at me which looked like the barrel of a gun. I said 'no'. I jumped and grabbed his arms. There was a little struggle during which there was an explosion. I then realised that what I saw must have been a gun."

L/Cpl. Lane, Bandsman Marshall and L/Cpl. Cairns caught the defendant.

Following further evidence, the hearing was adjourned until this afternoon.

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TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS
IN THE COLONY

In the Colony of Hongkong, including the Island, Kowloon and New Territories during the week ending at 8 a.m. on Saturday Feb. 17, there were altogether 87 traffic accidents as the result of which 2 persons were killed and 26 persons were injured.

Of persons killed, a 9-year-old boy was knocked down and killed by a bus while crossing the carriageway, and a Chinese female, age 25, was drowned when the lorry on which she was a passenger, skidded and went over the sea wall.

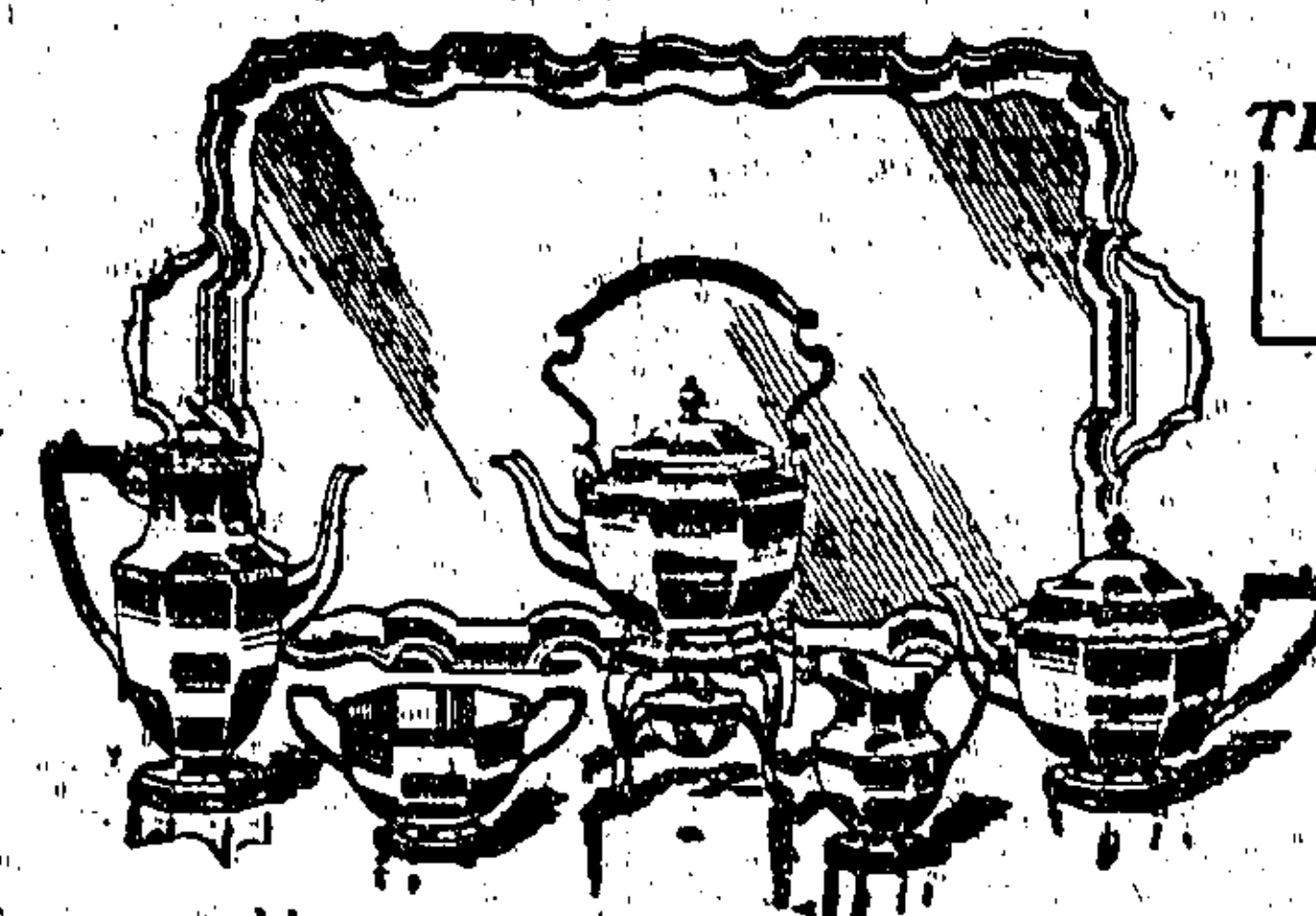
Of persons injured, 17 were pedestrians, who were crossing the carriageway and were struck by vehicles.

Of 87 accidents, 44 were collisions between vehicles; 29 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians; 14 accidents were due to other causes.

The Chinese Chamber of Commerce held their monthly Executive Committee meeting yesterday. Mr. Phillip Gockchin presided.



Lady Northcote, wife of His Excellency the Governor, speaking at the opening of the Y.W.C.A. Industrial Girls' Service Centre at No. 143 Tam Kung Road, Kowloon, yesterday afternoon.



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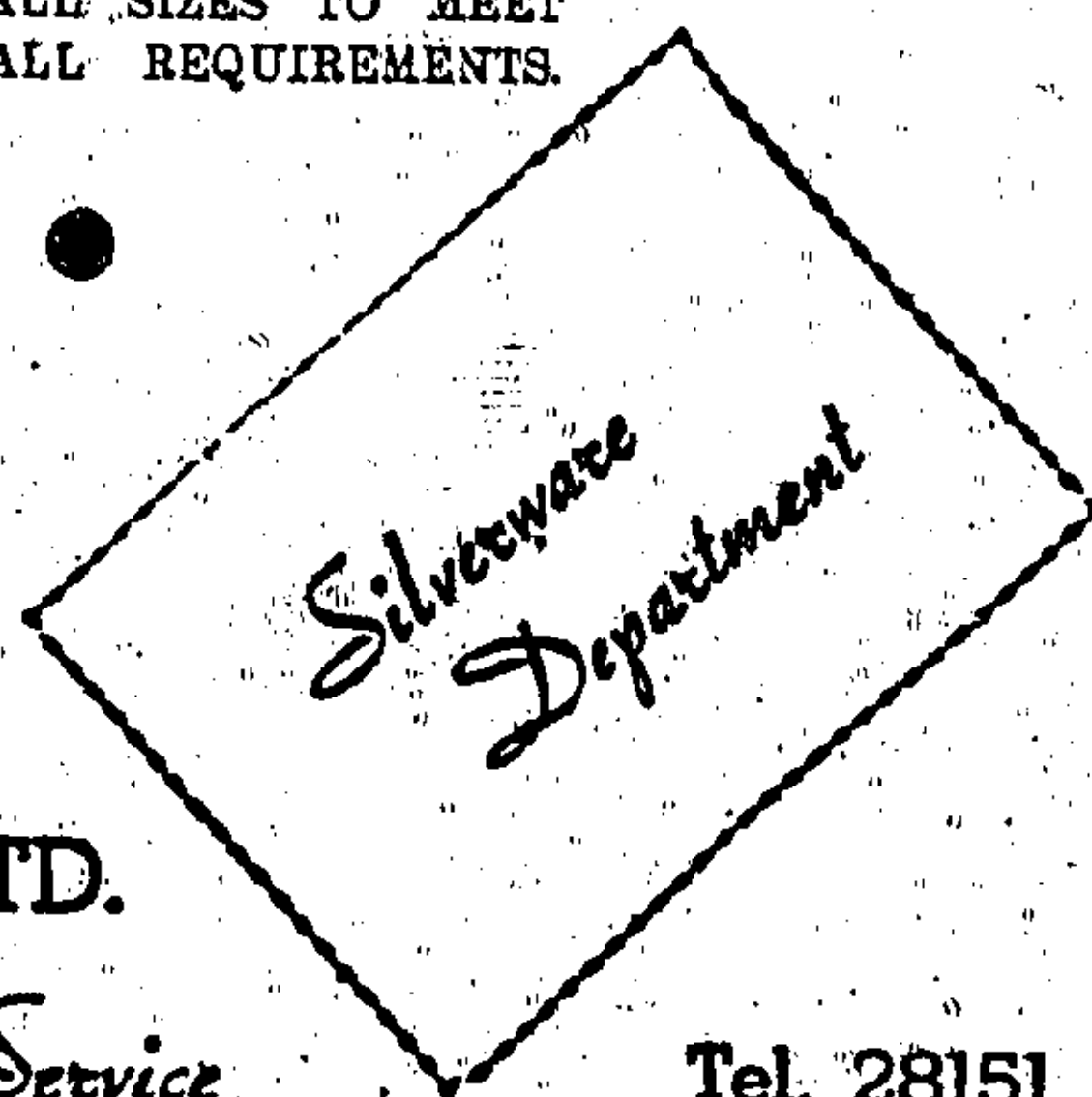
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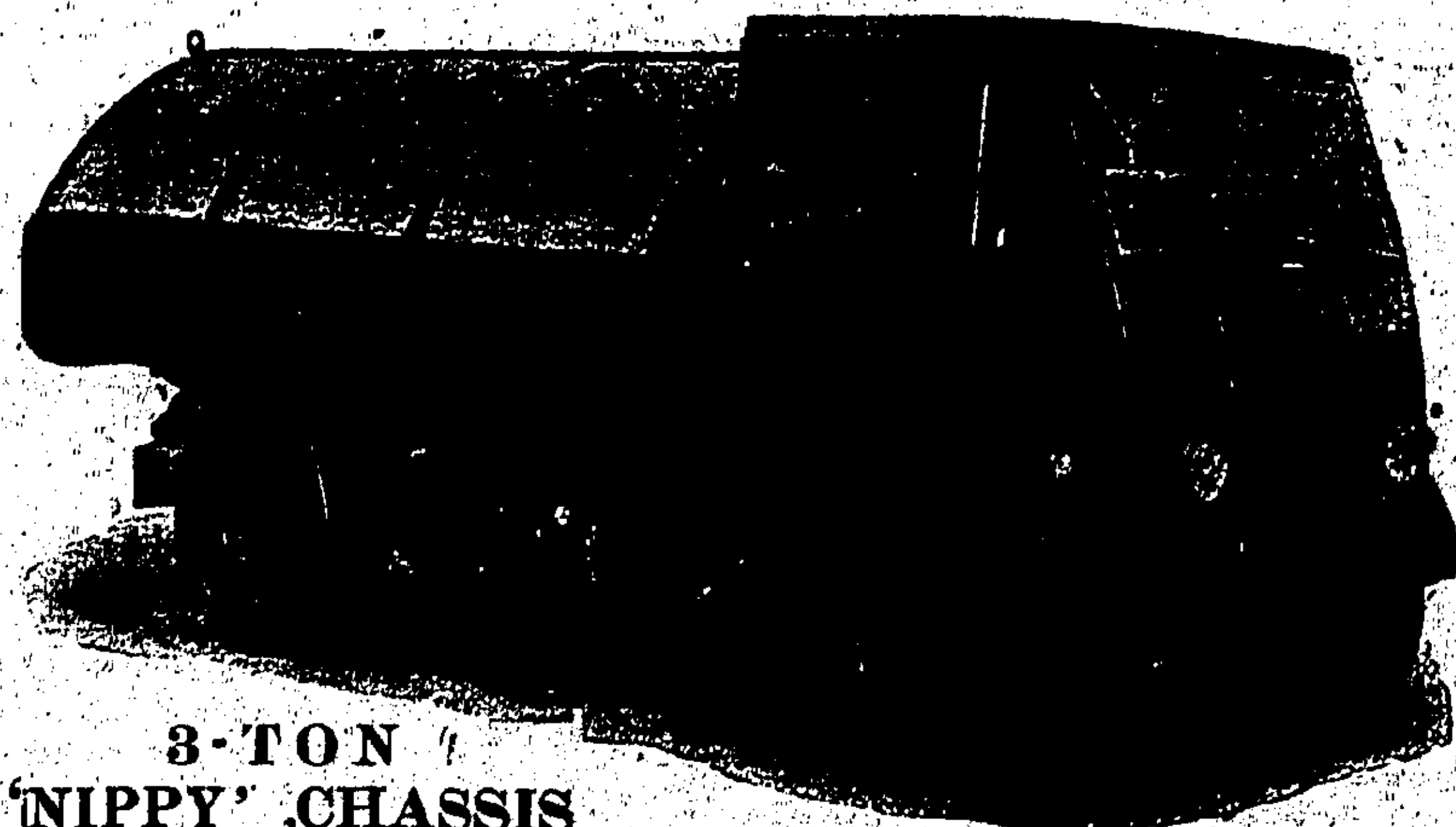
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifty-first Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be held at the Company's Registered Office, 4th Floor, P. & O. Building on Thursday, 21st March, 1940, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1939, electing Directors and Auditors and fixing their fees.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 9th March, to 21st March, 1940, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.

Agents.

Hong Kong, 22nd Feb., 1940.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held in the P. & O. Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, at 11.15 o'clock in the forenoon on Thursday, the 21st day of March, 1940, or as soon thereafter as the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Company shall have terminated, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolution as a special resolution:—

That the Capital of the Company be increased from its present Capital of \$6,000,000 Hong Kong currency divided into 600,000 shares of \$10 each to \$18,000,000 Hong Kong currency divided into 1,800,000 shares of \$10 each and that such additional shares shall rank in all respects pari passu with the original Capital of the Company.

And for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolutions, namely:—

1. That the Directors be and they are hereby authorised to capitalise the sum of \$3,000,000 Hong Kong currency part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Company's Reserve Fund and to allot to the Members holding shares of the Company as on the 1st day of July, 1940, in respect of the net amount capitalised fully paid shares of the Company of equivalent nominal value in the proportion of one share for every two shares of the Company then held by such persons respectively and that such shares so allotted shall rank for dividends, as from the 1st day of July, 1940.

2. That if, on such distribution as aforesaid, any person would be entitled to a fractional share the Directors shall, in lieu of issuing Fractional Certificates, cause the whole share to be allotted to a person or persons to be named by the Directors and such share shall, at such time as the Directors think fit, be sold and the proceeds distributed amongst the persons entitled to the fractions making up such share.

By order of the Board of Directors,

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

MISCELLANEOUS PROCEEDINGS.

NO. 9 OF 1940.

IN THE MATTER of the Tung On Steamship Company, Limited

IN THE MATTER of the Companies Ordinance, 1932.

NOTICE is hereby given that a petition presented to the Supreme Court of Hong Kong on the 14th day of February, 1940, for confirming the reduction of the capital of the abovenamed Company from \$2,500,000 divided into 25,000 shares of \$100 each, to \$2,000,000 divided into 25,000 shares of \$80 each by paying back to the shareholders the sum of \$20 per share out of the accumulated profits of the Company, the capital proposed to be paid off being in excess of the wants of the Company, is directed to be heard before His Honour Sir Alasdair Duncan Atholl MacGregor, Chief Justice, on Wednesday, the 13th day of March, 1940, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon. Any creditor or shareholder of the Company desiring to oppose the making of an order for the reduction of the capital of the said Company under the above Ordinance should appear at the time of hearing by himself or his counsel for that purpose. A copy of the petition will be furnished to any creditor or shareholder of the Company requiring the same by the undersigned on payment of the regulated charges for the same.

Dated this 22nd day of February, 1940,

WOO & WOO,

Solicitors for the abovenamed Company.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG

PROBATE JURISDICTION

IN THE GOODS of Alfred Edmund Hatch of 70 The Drive, Hove in the County of Sussex England, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance 1897, made an Order, limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 19th day of March, 1940.

All Creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated the 22nd day of February, 1940.

JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,

Solicitors for the Executors, Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank Building, Hong Kong.

INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS OF HONG KONG.

1st Floor, King's Building, Connaught Road.

LECTURE

by

Mr. P. V. Reveley, B.Sc. (Eng.) Entitled: "Television—A General Survey" on Friday, 23rd February, 1940.

Commencing at 8 P.M. A cordial invitation is given to all interested.

ADVERTISEMENTS

The Bank of China, 4, Queen's Road, Hong Kong wishes to advise the public that all its telephones, except Nos. 20590 and 22503, have been replaced by No. 30258 for extension to different Departments of the Bank.

HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT 1940.

Entries close on Saturday, 24th February, 1940, at 6 p.m.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 26th day of Feb., 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at To Kwa Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant), will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Unsett Price
1	431	Between To Kwa Wan and To Kwa Wan, South of the To Kwa Wan Road, Lot No. 4188	As per plan.	About 20,000	48s	19,875

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Unsett Price
2	432	Between To Kwa Wan and To Kwa Wan, South of the To Kwa Wan Road, Lot No. 4189	As per plan.	About 10,000	17s	3,500

ADVERTISEMENT

THE HONG KONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on TUESDAY, 12th March, 1940, at NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 26th February, 1940, to TUESDAY, 12th March, 1940, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

O. EAGER,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 19th Feb. 1940.

DID NOT KNOW MAN STABBED WAS POLICEMAN

Charged before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell at the Criminal Sessions yesterday with wounding Consable Li Hing-po with intent to resist lawful apprehension, 21-year-old Chan Fong pleaded guilty but added that he did not know Li was a policeman.

The stabbing occurred in Argyle Street.

In sentencing, accused to two years' hard labour and 12 strokes of the "cat," his Lordship said that the police had to be protected from scoundrels like Chan, who had a bad police record.

THREE YEARS' GAOL. Pleading guilty to unlawful possession of a revolver and an automatic pistol belonging respectively to Mr. Eldon Potter, K. C. and Mr. C. B. Robertson, of the Public Works Department, Chan Choi was sentenced to three years' hard labour.

POSSESSION OF ARMS. "A relative of mine left the arms with me for safe custody. That was in Chinese waters. The junk of my relative was burned by the Japanese, said Lam Siu-tak when he admitted possession of a rifle, a revolver and rounds of ammunition on board a junk at Cheung Chau harbour.

Defendant was fined \$500 or three months' imprisonment. Declaring that the automatic pistol and seven rounds of ammunition had been captured by him from the Japanese in Chinese Territory, Chung Mun pleaded guilty to a charge of possession of the arms and ammunition. Accused was sentenced to two years' hard labour.

BANISHEES. Charged with returning from banishment, Wan Leung, Ko Ki-wah and Leung So, were sentenced to three years', two and a half years' and three years' hard labour, respectively.

FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS

The forthcoming marriages are announced of Mr. Lam Ho-kwan, of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., and Miss Chan Yok-lan, of No. 29 Nelson Street, and Mr. Eddie Luis Souza, assistant manager of the Majestic Ballroom, and Miss Chiu Yuk-chan, of No. 151 Sai Yee Street, first floor.

THEFT BY TRICK

Sentence of four months' hard labour was passed by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday on Cheong Sang, 34, Ivory carver, on charges of larceny by trick of a finger ring, \$5 Hongkong currency and \$20 Chinese currency from Yuen Chau and a wrist watch and \$3 Hongkong currency from Lau Ngan. Sgt. J. W. Wall prosecuted.

AIR PORT

Arrivals at Kai Tak, by Imperial Airways plane yesterday were Mrs. E. Baker and Mrs. G. O. Reynall.

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"ALTERNATIVE FRONT"

FOR THE PAST TWO HUNDRED YEARS, the Balkans and the Baltic have become decisive theatres of European history at every juncture at which Russia has held the centre of the continental scene. Thus, when Charles XII of Sweden marched against Peter I, he allied himself to Turkey and conducted his campaigns alternately from Stockholm and the Bosphorus. The lands of the Lower Danube witnessed numerous clashes in the conflict between the Ottoman and Romanoff Empires. In the Crimean War, Russian interests clashed for the first time with those of Britain and France, who enlisted Turkey on their side. After that war, the conflict continued on a diplomatic plane, with the map of the Balkans as the battlefield.

THE RUSSIAN REVOLUTION of October 1917 substituted for the old struggle of imperial interests the conception of "checking the spread of Bolshevism" through armed intervention and the "cordon sanitaire." Russia's Balkan and Northern frontiers witnessed the genesis of numerous "White" armies, and, when it became clear that the Russian people would have none of them, one by one, their final retreat. One such army was commanded by General Mannerheim who, after failing to establish a fanciful Northern Kingdom of "Finland and Estonia, including Petrograd" succeeded, in suppressing the domestic revolutionary forces in Finland's present territory, this suppression being accompanied by the slaughter of 70,000 prisoners. Other battles were fought in Poland, Rumania, taking advantage of Russia's pre-occupations with the several civil wars then raging, annexed Bessarabia. The suspension of hostilities left in its wake the famous "cordon sanitaire" of small states, designed to isolate the Soviets from Europe, and notably from post-Versailles Germany, then itself in the grip of a revolutionary crisis.

THE OCCUPATION of what was once Polish White Russia and the Polish Ukraine broke the first breach in this "cordon sanitaire," the establishment of naval bases on the Latvian and Estonian coasts for the second, and the hostilities in Finland are making a third.

ALLIED COUNTER-ACTION, true to tradition and geographical imperatives, is being effected through the Baltic and the Balkans. The assistance to Finland, the concentration of troops in the near-East, and Turkish tours of Generals Wavell and Weygand are all part of the same picture.

FOR THE INTERESTS of the war against Germany, the rapid materialisation of a second front is unfavourable and dangerous. Anti-Russian action by the Allies would throw the Soviet Union out of its present non-too-warm neutrality into an outright alliance with the Reich. In the Far East, it would force the Allies themselves into the position of seekers for the favour of Japan, a country which has long had as its sole ambition their elimination from the Pacific seaboard.

DANISH SHIP LAUNCHED AT KOWLOON DOCKS

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Throughout their history the Dock Company have built internationally, which I think is as it should be. For when Hongkong was taken over by Britain, the Proclamation read out at the time announced that there would be equal opportunity for all nations to trade. The Colony has faithfully lived up to this promise. She is still one of the few oases of free trade in a world-wide desert of nationalist protection, and while of course we like to think that her success is mainly due to British and Chinese enterprise, we could not have prospered as well as we have for close on 100 years had not "equality of opportunity for all" been our constant watchword.

INTERNATIONAL POLICY

I feel that it is right and proper that the Dock Company, as the pioneer company of our kind in the Colony, should continue its international policy. In the immediate future, of course, our output must be principally, if not exclusively, British, but we look forward to the days when common sense and sanity will have returned to this mad world, and convinced all nations that equality of opportunity for all is the only foundation upon which a lasting world peace can be built. May this ship, built for a friendly neutral nation, play a useful part in bringing about the harmonious end we all so fervently desire.

MR. J. H. JESSEN

Expressing his thanks on behalf of the owners, Mr. Jessen said, in part, of the many ships built by our Company for the China Coast, the one just launched is the first to be built in Hongkong. I am, however, far less responsible for this than Mr. Dodwell would have you believe. It was the greatly increased technical efficiency of the Dock Company and the confidence in Mr. Cock and his staff that influenced Mr. Jessen to build this ship here.

We also believe that it is good policy to build, invest and spend where you earn, and in this respect Hongkong is the place for us. I am particularly glad that this ship, named after my father, is built in Hongkong, for it was here that he spent many happy years in his younger days. In fact, ever since my Grandfather visited Hongkong in a ship of the same name, Hongkong has played a big part in our work and lives. I hope that one day my son, who was also born here, may represent the fourth generation and attend to the building of the varieties of ships that, in spite of Mr. Dodwell's encouragement, his Father had to leave undone.

"Ladies and gentlemen," Mr.

Jessen concluded, "I will now ask you to drink to the prosperity of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company."

MR. E. COCK

In a few appropriate words, Mr. E. Cock thanked Mr. Jessen for proposing the toast to the Dock Company, and wishing Mrs. Jessen health and happiness, handed her a memento of the occasion.

LIST OF GUESTS

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Group photograph taken outside the Fung Ping Shan Library yesterday where an exhibition of Kwangtung cultural objects was opened. In the centre in the front row is General Wu Te-chen, Minister for Overseas Affairs, and others in the group include Mr. Ip Kung-chen, Mr. Li Ying-lum and Mr. Kan Yau-man.

EXHIBITION AT FUNG PING SHAN LIBRARY

Under the auspices of the Association for the Advancement of Chinese Culture, an exhibition of paintings, scrolls, ceramics and other works of Kwangtung native was opened yesterday at the Fung Ping-shan Library of the Hongkong University, and attracted throughout the day large and interested crowds.

Some of the best works of famous artists are on view. The exhibits, which were numerous and were divided between six rooms, included in their comprehensiveness almost every imaginable article of cultural value. The exhibition is continuing for a few days.

PUPPET MAYOR OF SHANGHAI TO BE SACKED?

SHANGHAI, Feb. 22. (Reuters)—It is rumoured in well-informed circles that the Mayor of the City Government of Greater Shanghai, Fu Sien, may be deprived of his office in the near future, according to the China Press.

It is stated that Dr. Chi Ming-yi, Secretary-General of the Orthodox "Kuomintang" and Wang Ching-wei's brother-in-law, may succeed. The latter went to Nanking and returned with Liu Chun-chih, the head of the "Reformed Government," on Feb. 22.

SWEDEN PREPARED WITH MEASURES OF RETALIATION: NAZI DEMAND REJECTED

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—It is learned that Sweden has rejected the German demands that Swedish ships should cease operating into Allied ports. It is intimated that Sweden is prepared with measures of retaliation in the event of Germany carrying out her implied threat.

Since the beginning of the war, Sweden has lost by torpedoing or mines 32 cargo steamers aggregating 64,000 tons, the Swedish Foreign Minister told Parliament yesterday in reply to an interpellation.

He said that 228 Swedish people had perished and 15 were missing.

Seven ships for certain had been sunk by German U-boats, he said, and the tonnage lost by submarine action represented 26.6 of the total tonnage.

DESTINATIONS

One and one-third of the tonnage lost by submarine action was destined for Britain. The rest was bound to neutral countries.

Fifty three per cent. of the tonnage lost was playing between neutral ports.

The Foreign Minister stated that to their knowledge no Swedish ship had been sunk while in British or French convoy.

SUBMARINE WARFARE

He recalled the principles established in the submarine warfare, and said that contrary to these principles, their ships had been torpedoed; although they had not refused to stop or undergo examination.

The Foreign Minister drew a

distinction between the reaction of neutral countries to what he described as violations on the open sea.

He said that in the former case a neutral country had every right to take every possible measure to oppose violation, but in the latter case direct measures were scarcely possible owing to the danger of involving neutrals in war.

INDIRECT PRESSURE

Measures of indirect pressure against violation depended on circumstances, he said.

Sweden took these possibilities into consideration in trade negotiations with belligerents.

The whole problem would be discussed at a meeting of the Foreign Ministers of the Scandinavian countries at the end of the week, he announced.

NOTE OF CONFIDENCE

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The Parliament here yesterday gave the Prime Minister an expression of confidence in his foreign policy.

Decisive Moment Has Arrived For Sweden

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The Committee for the Freedom of the North has sent a petition to the Swedish Government stating: "If Finland perishes, Sweden's own life is threatened. The decisive moment has arrived."

Increased Expenditure In Japan

TOKYO, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The expenditure of the Japanese Government for 1939 amounted to four times that in 1937, the year in which the China incident started, according to the Finance Ministry.

In 1937, Government disbursements totalled ¥1,285,088,000, in 1938, ¥4,754,387,000 and in 1939, ¥5,334,262,000.

BILLS PASSED

The Lower House at the plenary session today unanimously passed the Bills for the budget of approximately 10,300,000,000 yen for the coming financial year, which dates from April 1. The Bills were passed without amendment.

The budget now goes to the House of Peers where the examination of the various bills will command the attention of the nation which so far had been concentrated on the budget interpellation in the Lower House.

FIVE CASES OF SMALL-POX

Five cases of small-pox (four from Kowloon and one from the Harbour); twenty cases of tuberculosis, three cases of cerebrospinal fever, two cases each of enteric fever and dysentery, and one case each of diphtheria and

BRITAIN'S WAR AIMS

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Asked to make a categorical declaration on Britain's war aims, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, in the House of Commons yesterday, declared that he could see no object in adding to the categorical declarations already made by members of the Government on the purposes of Great Britain in the war (Cheers).

N.Z. LABOUR PARTY ENDORSES PEACE AIMS

WELLINGTON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—A Conference of the national executive of the New Zealand Labour Party and National Council of the Federation of Labour endorsed the peace aims of the British Labour Party as enunciated by Major C. R. Attlee.

The Conference stated that there should be no conscription in New Zealand while Labour was in power and made a declaration in favour of speech and opinion.

The statement declared: "To fail to render the fullest support in the fight against Nazism would brand the Labour Movement as politically irresponsible or worse."

chicken-pox were notified to the Health Department on Feb. 21.

Significance Of Support To Britain By Colonies

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The significance of the support, freely given to the Mother Country in her great war effort by the colonies, was emphasised by Mr. Macdonald, Secretary for the Colonies, in a broadcast on colonial development.

CONSCRIPT DECREE MODIFIED IN FRANCE

PARIS, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The Government decided in a decree to call up fewer men in the next batch of conscripts than was originally intended.

The next call-up for land and air forces will comprise only three months of the 1919 class.

This modifies the decree issued stating that the call-up would cover six months of the 1919 class.

PARIS, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—France is ready to take strong measures with Britain for reprisals if Norway does not protect her waters from belligerent sea. It was officially announced in Paris.

He said: "No fact should give us more pride and quiet confidence in the justice of our cause than that the peoples of the colonies are eager to share with us every hazard and danger of war."

CHAMPIONS OF LIBERTY They are not self-governing and they are still under our rule. They are small communities which might be excused if they shunned the right.

"It is significant, indeed, that they, who have experience of us as rulers, recognise us instinctively as champions of the liberty of small peoples."

MORE CANADIANS

OTTAWA, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—It was officially announced that the Second Canadian Division is going overseas before long.

Finns Deny Capture Of Koivisto: Attacks Mannerheim Line Still Continued By Russians

HELSINKI, FEB. 22 (REUTER).—HEAVY SNOW IS FALLING OVER THE ISTHMUS, HOLDING UP OPERATIONS AND BRINGING A WELL-EARNED RESpite TO THE FINNISH FORCES MAN- NING THE MANNERHEIM LINE.

Finnish quarters meantime discredit the reports which have been circulated announcing the capture by the Russians of Koivisto Fortress, which controls the Gulf of Finland, twelve miles from Viipuri.

U.S. Entry Into The War?

WASHINGTON, February 22 (Reuter).—According to a Moscow Radio announcement received here, Russia believes that the impending European tour of Mr. Sumner Welles is a prelude to the entry of the United States into the war.

Just before Mr. Welles left, it is learned here, Pres. Roosevelt received word that the German Government was willing to enter on peace negotiations now, but was also prepared to intensify the war and reduce Europe to a shambles if the Allies want to go on fighting.

MEDIATION IN FINLAND

BRITAIN HAS NO AUTHORITY TO INTERVENE

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. E. Shawell (Lab) asked whether Mr. Chamberlain would consider an approach to the League of Nations or President Roosevelt with a view to offering mediation in the Russo-Finnish dispute.

SOVIET REJECTION Mr. R. A. Butler, who replied, recalled that mediation of the League of Nations was offered on Dec. 12 and this was accepted by Finland, but rejected by the Soviet. It was open to the Finnish Government and the Soviet at any time to invite, or accept, mediation of any third party, but His Majesty's Government had no authority to intervene between a third party and two belligerent Governments.

Compulsory Savings Scheme

LONDON, Feb. 22 (BWS).—Speaking in London yesterday, Mr. J. M. Keynes, the eminent economist, introduced further proposals into his compulsory savings scheme. He adopts the principle of family allowance and suggests five shillings weekly for each child under fifteen years. Those funds accumulated under what he terms "deferred pay" are to be deposited with approved societies, trade unions and similar working-class controlled societies as well as the post office and savings banks. He suggests repayment to be made after the war out of the proceeds of capital levy.

FORMIDABLE CHALLENGE Commenting on the revised scheme, the Manchester Guardian describes it as "an extremely formidable challenge" and thinks it has far greater attractions than the scheme first produced.

After remarking the object is to bring about equality of sacrifice, which was absent in the last war, and to avoid inflationary conditions after the war, the editorial says, "In virtue of Mr. Keynes' proposal it does bring together a series of bold devices which carry us beyond financial expediency and give workers something to work for and to look forward to a more equitable human society."

The paper concludes that it will probably be found that bankers and economists, who looked on the first version with some favour, will be frightened by the second. It is not the boldness of which the British people are afraid.

It is asserted that none of the Finnish second line positions, to which they retreated last week have been penetrated by the Soviets and reports of the fall of Taipale, at the other extremity of the Mannerheim line, are equally false.

SEVERAL ATTACKS

Several attacks have been launched at these two critical points, but all have been repulsed. The Russians continue their attempts to relieve the 15th Division trapped in the Kuhmo Sector, but reliable reports indicate that the effort is now in vain as the Division has been virtually annihilated and hundreds who have not fallen to the bullets of the Finnish sharpshooters, have perished of cold and famine.

FINNISH CLAIMS

HELSINKI, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—A Finnish communiqué reports that there were more Soviet attacks in the Karelian Isthmus and claims that the attacks were repulsed with heavy Soviet losses and that numerous tanks were destroyed. The Finnish Air Force effected reconnaissance flights behind the enemy lines several times and bombed enemy troops concentrations. In the course of air battles seventeen enemy planes were shot down.

HUNGARIAN FORCE

PARIS, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—About 1,000 Hungarians, the first contingent of a force of 10,000 who volunteered to fight for Finland arrived here today.

The Paris Post states that they are leaving tomorrow for London. Most of them are ex-servicemen, including some officers.

The Commanding Officer said: "While crossing Yugoslavia and Italy, we received an extremely friendly welcome."

WILL RUSSIANS KEEP PROMISE TO PEOPLE?

HELSINKI, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The Russians have another day in which to defeat the Finns if they are to keep their promise to the Soviet people.

Russians newspapers previously declared that the Soviet troops would march into the port of Viborg to celebrate the birthday of the Red Army tomorrow.

The Finns today are holding firmly to the line along the Isthmus to which they have withdrawn by the heavy Russian offensive which is expected.

It seems that the claim by the Russians that they have occupied Koivisto is more or less confirmed but the island fortress is still in the hands of the Finns.

Count Ciano To Welcome U.S. Peace Envoy To Europe

ROME, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The Italian Foreign Minister, Count Ciano, is going to Naples to meet Mr. Sumner Welles, President Roosevelt's peace envoy, on board the liner Rex on Sunday. He will probably accompany Mr. Welles to Rome by train. A Government dinner has been arranged in the visitor's honour at the Villa Madama, where Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Halifax stayed.

According to the tentative programme, Signor Mussolini will receive Mr. Welles on Monday, after which Mr. Welles will proceed to Berlin.

No arrangements have been made for an audience with the Pope, but it is expected that Mr. Welles will discuss world politics with the Pope on the conclusion of his tour of the European capitals. By special permission of the Pope, the ceremony of Mr. Myron Taylor, presenting his credentials will be filmed. The ceremony will take place early in March.

CABLE NEWS IN BRIEF

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—German propaganda is careful not to broadcast items which go direct to countries which know the real truth. Thus the propaganda version of the sinking of the German ship Watusel has not been broadcast in programmes to South Africa.

ST JEAN DE LUZ, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The Spanish freighter Bandera is now believed to have been the victim of a German U-Boat.

A message from The Hague states that it is feared that the Dutch motor-tanker Den Haag (8,971 tons) was lost on her voyage from New York to Rotterdam. The Den Haag was carrying 11,000 tons of oil products.

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Sir Rabindranath Tagore, the world-famous Indian poet, is to receive the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Literature from Oxford University.

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Vice-Admiral Sir Charles Kennedy Purvis has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the American and West Indies Station in succession to Admiral Sir Sidney Mervick, from March 1940.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The State Department reports that nearly half a million people living in the present confines of Greater Germany have applied for permission to enter the United States.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Mr. Casey, the first Australian Minister to the United States, has arrived here and will see Mr. Cordell Hull, U.S. Secretary of State on Thursday and President Roosevelt when the latter returns from his holiday cruise.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The German 14,000-ton freighter Antonio Dellino is ready to sail from Bahia, Brazil, with a million-dollar cargo, according to a New York Times despatch from Rio de Janeiro.

ANKARA, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The Turkish Co-ordination Committee, presided over by Premier Saydam, and established under the Emergency Defence Law, "for the protection of the Nation," was put into force yesterday.

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. R. A. Butler stated, in reply to a question, that he was not in a position to name the date of the publication of the White Paper dealing with the Anglo-Russian negotiations of last year.

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The correspondent of the Giornale d'Italia in London states that despite the present dispute, British and Norwegian good relations will not be disturbed.

TOKYO, Feb. 22 (Havas).—After laying for three days in the crater of the Mihara volcano, on the Oshima Island, near Tokyo, a would-be suicide was rescued last Sunday.

OSLO, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Norway's losses now amount to 49 ships, totalling 188,527 tons. It was announced yesterday. Altogether 327 Norwegians have been killed.

ESPIONAGE IN SWEDEN

BRITISH SUBJECT AMONG ACCUSED

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—A British subject, Donald William Beach, was one of the five men who appeared in a Stockholm Court yesterday, charged with espionage. The other four accused are Swedes.

WIRELESS OPERATOR

Beach told the Court that he trained as a wireless telegraphist during the last war, after which he was for some time a ship's wireless operator.

After the preliminary proceedings, the public were excluded from the Court.



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H.K. UNION CHURCH WILL CELEBRATE CENTENARY IN 1944

"THE HONGKONG UNION CHURCH IS AN INSTITUTION OF CONSIDERABLE VALUE IN THIS COLONY AND IN 1944 WILL CELEBRATE ITS CENTENARY—It has therefore spread its branches and shed its leaves for the lengthy period of 96 years," said Mr. A. McKellar, Chairman of the Committee of the Hongkong Union Church at the annual meeting of the Committee yesterday.

There was a large gathering of members of the congregation present and among them were representatives of the Committee of the Kowloon Union Church.

Mr. McKellar, in his report, appealed for support in the attendance at public worship. He recalled the growth of the Church and said that in 1844 there were only seven members, while at the close of the last century, the number of members attending worship exceeded 200.

The Church register which was introduced at the beginning of the last year, recorded 270 members, while the average attendance at service was about one-third.

OFFICERS ELECTED Mr. S. V. Boxer was elected as Trustee.

Committee of Management: Messrs. S. V. Boxer, W. Elliott, L. A. Gibson, W. L. Alexander, L. Lawrie, W. Wooding, H. L. McKenzie, A. McKellar, Mrs. W. Robertson, Mrs. A. Crawford.

Ladies' Committee: Mesdames A. McKellar, W. W. Rae, W. Robertson, Taylor, Potter, Martin, Alexander, Mackenzie Dow, S. V. Boxer and A. Crawford.

Sino - British Cultural Co-operation

The "Oxford Mail" of Nov. 17, 1939, contains the following reference to Prof. C. S. Lo, who will address the meeting of the Hongkong Branch of the Sino-British Cultural Association at the Hongkong University this evening.

OXFORD AND CHINA Prof. C. S. Lo, of the West China University, who has been a member of St. Peter's Hall, Oxford, for the last two years, has interested a number of the senior members of the University in the possibilities of cultural co-operation between China and Britain.

JOAN BENNETT IN EXCELLENT NEW COMEDY- ROMANCE

Joan Bennett, as a dark-haired beauty, is even more vivacious and alluring than as a blond, and in Hal Roach's new comedy-romance, "The Housekeeper's Daughter," the famous star appears for the third time in her screen career as a true brunette.

AN ACCIDENT

It was an accident that helped Joan to discover that she was a completely different screen personality with raven tresses. In her recent picture "Trade Winds," the story compelled her to dye her hair as part of a disguise, and the result was so striking that she decided to retain her dark hair. "For the first time I feel completely sincere," she said.

Released through United Artists, "The Housekeeper's Daughter" will be shown at the King's Theatre from Sunday. There was a special preview for the press yesterday.

K. M. A. Barnett beat B. S. Litvin in the only Colony Chess Championship "Tournament" match played last night. The other three matches on the evening's programme were postponed and will probably be played off on Tuesday.

Increase Of Capital And Bonus Shares

H.K. ELECTRIC CO.'S ANNOUNCEMENT

At the ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong Electric Company, Limited, to be held on Thursday, March 21, 1940, at 11 a.m., the Directors will, subject to audit, recommend that the balance available for distribution be disposed of as follows:—

To pay a final dividend of \$1.50 per share making, with the interim dividend of \$1 per share paid on Sept. 7, 1939, a total of \$2.50 per share on 800,000 shares	\$ 900,000.00
To pay a bonus of 75 cents per share on 600,000 shares	450,000.00
To place to Reserve	400,000.00
To carry forward to next account	594,480.39
	\$2,344,480.39

INCREASED CAPITAL

Messrs. Gibb, Livingston & Co., Ltd., the Agents of the Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd., also inform us that, at a meeting of the Board of Directors held this morning, it was decided to recommend to shareholders that the capital of the Company be increased from its present capital of \$8,000,000 Hongkong currency to \$18,000,000 Hongkong currency divided into 1,800,000 shares of \$10 each and that such additional shares shall rank in all respects pari passu with the original capital of the Company.

CAPITAL BONUS

The Directors will further recommend to shareholders the issue of a capital bonus of one fully paid share for every two shares held by shareholders on the Register as on July 1, 1940 and that such bonus should be effected by capitalising \$3,000,000 of the Company's Reserve Fund and that such shares should rank for dividends as from the 1st day of July 1940. Further that the necessary extraordinary general meeting to consider and if thought fit approve the above proposals would be held immediately after the ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders.

INTERPORT HOCKEY DISCUSSED

The coming Interport hockey match with Macao on Easter Sunday, March 24, was discussed at the monthly meeting, held at St. Andrew's Church Hall last night, of the Council of the Hongkong Hockey Association.

Those present were Lt. G. W. Hook, in the Chair, Mr. D. T. Smith, Hon. Secretary, Capt. J. C. Loch, Mr. J. Gonsalves and Mr. A. E. P. Guest.

It was decided the second match arranged for the visitors to be played on Easter Monday morning, will be against a Colony Civilian XI. The venue of the Interport match will be announced later. The Interport dinner will be held on Easter Sunday night.

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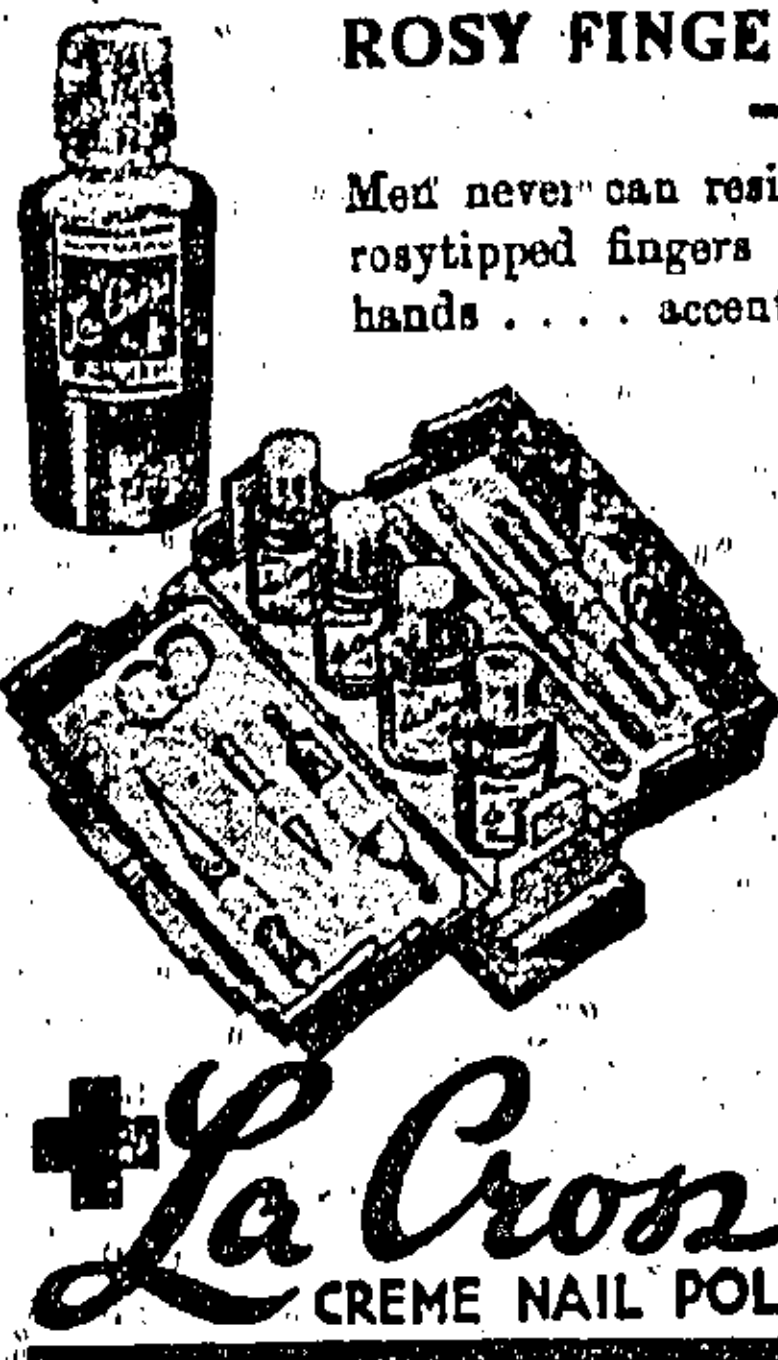
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1850 & 1912 INSPIRATIONS

Military Line For Hats — Three Groups —

IN THE WORLD OF MILLINERY, the military trend will be pronounced, and because of this hats will necessarily be modelled on more severe lines. The doll's hat, so popular now, will be sacrificed on fashion's pyre, and from the ashes of this mode will rise hats which swing back to 1850 and 1912 for inspiration.

THUS, HAT FASHIONS can be divided into three groups—

The military version for dress and sports occasions;

Early Victorian styles for late afternoon and cocktail wear;

And those which bear the stamp of 1912 for tailored town hats.

Hats To Tempt:

WITH SIMPLICITY the keynote, they are concentrating on making hats elegant and becoming. It is essential that every hat should be perfect, as in wartime most women feel they must practise economy, and it is only when tempted with an alluring style they will be persuaded to buy.

Sports hats have high crowns, tapering slightly, set above medium-wide brims.

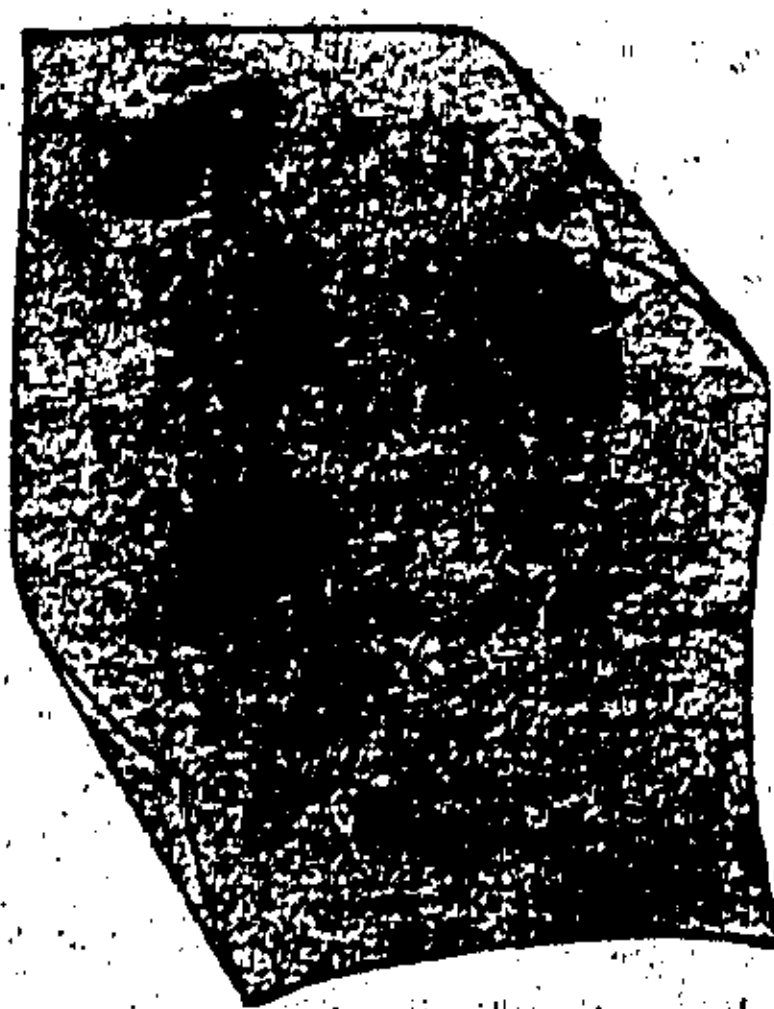
This theme was portrayed in a beautifully feminine hat with a high soft ruby red suede crown which linked perfectly with a clouded navy felt trim. The only trimming was a narrow band in matching felt.

Long Snoods:

THE LONG HANGING SNOODS featured on hats of the Beau Geste type, are particularly suitable. When the winds blow the wearer of one of these hats will have no stray wisps of hair to cope with.

To illustrate the smartness of this style, a model has been designed in navy felt combined with a sage blue silk crepe snood.

The felt is fashioned into a tiny wedding ring shape, with the snood sweeping low at the back to conceal all the hair.



At the cocktail hour gay and fanciful trimmings will be mounted on 1850 hats. Three of the new shapes for late afternoon wear are depicted above.

Military Trimmings:

SOMETIMES a suggestion of the military influence is given to hats through the trimmings. Such a trimming shaped into a small red velvet shield banded in gold braid was applied to a navy and mulberry three-cornered felt toque.

Heavy cording is another medium which supplies a military air to felt hats. This is shown in a wide-brimmed black felt hat with a softly upturned brim back and front, the entire brim being edged with a heavy white cord. The effect of the cording is strengthened by two cords across the crown, linking together the back and front of the brim.

Whipping in the Waistline — Hourglass Figures Fashion's Latest Decree

She bought a little frock one morn,
It was all a frock could be,
But ere night fell, it was useless,
For 't was out of date, you see.

WHILE the verse quoted is an exaggeration, it is nevertheless indicative of the ever-changing whirl of fashion.

Like all seasons before it, this summer too, brings us new styles, new colours and above all, new lines. This latter point is emphasised in the excitingly modern version of "grandmamma's" hourglass silhouette.

18-inch Waist:

Poor Grandmamma! What agonies and tortures she must have undergone to retain her eighteen-inch waist! How she must have wept in the privacy of her boudoir over the eccentricities of her dictator—Dame Fashion.

But in spite of these privations, and although she didn't realise it at the time, Grandma in her day, bequeathed pos-

sibly with one of the most charming and gracious fashions yet recorded, the triumphant return of the hourglass figure.

First Thoughts:

At first thought, this fashion is repellent to most of us, for the very idea of a pinched-in waist and what went with it, is not to be entertained. What of our tennis and golf? What of our swinging in the ballroom and our skating at the rink?

But times change and fashions with them, till today, an hourglass figure does not mean swooning in the ballroom, refusing creamed chicken at the dinner table or the administration of smelling salts to quell an attack of the vapors at the movies. It means instead that all these pleasures may be enjoyed to their fullest.

This snug, nipped-in effect at the waistline owes its reintroduction into society by a famous designer of foundation garments.

Comfort & Line:

In designing these very new types of corsets, an eye has been kept on the most important things required by the women of today. Comfort and line were the two objects which the creator set out to achieve; as can be witnessed, he has succeeded beyond the scope of imagination.

Weighing only a few ounces, these figure reformers are not only a fad of the moment, but have come to grace smart waistlines for as long as smart women wear frocks that mould this focal part of the anatomy.

Several Types:

There are several types of corsets and corselettes included in these collections. Important among them are the "waist pinchers."

Designed for the very youthful figure only, some of these amusing garments are 8-10 inches in depth. They are cut and fitted in such a way as to transform a modern miss into an 1839 debutante.

Worn beneath an evening gown of old world charm with fully gathered skirt, it would be difficult to imagine a more delightful figure.



SCARLET and BLACK JERSEY is what in June Fretter's dinner dress, which she wears with a heavy gold-metal belt, which ties in front with a sash of the jersey. The gathered skirt features all pockets and the tailored blouse has short sleeves, padded shoulders and plain round neckline, which is highlighted by links of gold. The M-G-M starlet completes the dinner ensemble with black and gold sandals.

Studio de Luxe was heard racing enthusiastically over what she described as the "most wonderfully coloured photograph" of herself she had ever been able to obtain. Studio de Luxe specialises in colour photography and, as in all their work, their art is beyond criticism. The natural and delicate blend of light and shade effects, combined with the careful positioning and pose of the subject, make it the "perfect portrait." To try them once is to be thoroughly satisfied.

The perfect portrait studio—Studio de Luxe, in the fourth floor of Pedder Buildings, has not taken long, since their opening, to attract favourable comment from Hongkong's public. One of the many satisfied patrons of the

Alternatively, the hourglass line is equally successful allied with the sleek sophistication of the clinging gown.

For The Matron:

For the matron a new note is added, that of controlling the superfluous inches and at the same time moulding the waistline into near-18 inch proportions and a rounded squareness at the hips.

Another designer has created his models by using a strong, airy net elastic to attain his object. The tailored cut of these garments has its own quota of work to do in controlling the figure.

Lacings and fastenings have been entirely eliminated and are done by the step-in method.

The "pretty" trend which predominates so many of our new season's fashions manifests itself in other articles found in the collections.

Refreshingly New:

Refreshingly new is the advancement of Dirndlettes—waist defining belts with brassiere bodice and flared panties attached.

The "pretty" note which is also carried out in a Bodice Bra expresses a femininity and softness unfamiliar to the slim lines of corsetry. Created for wear under the lovely transparency or organdy and lace blouses which are so much a part of summer, they are made of nude embroidered voile with uplift bustline. A quaint little basque and ribbon threaded lace straps complete a dainty addition to summer underwear.

THE WAY TO EASIER HOUSEWORK

TO PREVENT THE SUN FADING MULTISTRIPE CANVAS SUN BLINDS, DECK CHAIR COVERS OR BEACH UMBRELLAS OR TENTS; soak the canvas for one hour in a mixture made as follows: Grate two medium sized potatoes, cover with quarter a cup of salt dissolved in half cup of vinegar. Allow to stand for half an hour, then strain.

If the blinds are already made and hung, paint the mixture on both sides with a large brush and allow to dry thoroughly before rolling. Treated in this way, striped canvas will be proof against fading by the sun.

A Handy Shoe-Rack:

If you have in your lumber-room an old old-fashioned towel horse it is simple to convert it into a very useful shoe rack.

The old-style towel horse is made with a double row of rails, so all that is necessary is to saw about an inch off the front legs to make the whole thing tilt forward slightly. The shoe heels will then rest on the back rail, while the toes slant down over the front rails.

Nail or screw each end of each towel stick to a strong piece of wood about four inches long—then nail or screw these at a slight angle to the uprights of the towel horse. This will give a double row of rails.

Even if you have no towel horse, it would be a simple matter to make a frame of this description. Placed against the wall, under a narrow shelf, it could be hidden from view by hanging a gay curtain from shelf to floor.

Polished Tables:

Calls for help often come when scratches or heat or water marks appear on wood furniture. But the beauty of new furniture can always be preserved if it is cared for regularly.

Provide guests with coasters for iced drinks, and those white rings under hot casseroles and dishes, and your dining-room table will keep shining and new. Watch for that pottery vase with its unglazed base, which may scratch the table and allow moisture to soak through and leave a ring. A coaster under the vase will prevent this marbling.

The Cure:

So much for preventives; now here are a few cures.

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Washing Dainty Lingerie

IT IS ALWAYS WISE to make a point of washing your daintiest clothes at home. If you can. Provided you use the proper things, they are easily washed, and certainly home-washing prolongs their life.

You must be careful, however, not to use hard water or alkaline soap. Rain water, if available, heated so that the hands can bear it comfortably, is best.

Alkaline in soap acts on the time which is in all water and leaves a lime-scrum which sticks to the threads of fine fabrics and takes the sheen off.

Arrange Your Flowers

ALL simple old-fashioned flowers, such as stocks, wallflowers, look well in inexpensive earthenware jars and bowls. See always that your jars or bowls are tall enough and wide enough for your flowers to get plenty of water.

Roses, carnations and many flowers, with pretty foliage and stems, look very attractive in glass, but be sure that you keep the glass and the water clean and clear.

If you have a brass or copper jar or bowl, don't forget how lovely marigolds, tea-roses, and all vivid-colored flowers look in them.

way occasionally there will be no further bother with blocked sink. Household Replacements:

The replacement of glass and china when it is broken is an economy. This obviates the necessity of buying a full new set from time to time.

The wise housewife will buy her dinner and tea sets and glassware in a stock pattern, so that when breakages occur she can buy matching pieces. Regular attention must be given to the linen press and personal clothing of the family.

A careful check of articles sent to and returned from the laundry should be kept, and the plan of putting all linen and lingerie at the bottom of 12 pins when returned should be observed, so that each item may be used in its turn, thus preventing the premature but wearing of one or two pieces.

Picnic Tips:

During the school holidays many families make a practice of having frequent picnics to seaside or hills. Here are a few tips, which may be helpful when packing the hamper.

Make a washing cover for the picnic billy and fasten up the side with press studs. This will prevent hands and picnic box from soil from the billy. To keep the butter firm when picnicking, put it into a wide-mouthed jar and push a piece of ice down the middle of the butter. The ice will not melt and the butter will be nice and firm.

If you use a thermos flask for tea, fill it with boiling water and take a small bottle of extra strong tea. Then each member of the party can have tea the strength they like it—strong, weak or medium.

That Blocked Sink:

If the run-away from the sink is blocked it may be possible to clear the pipe by the following simple method—

Get the top off a rubber ball (a tennis ball will serve very well), then with about 10 inches of water in the sink, place the ball over the plug hole. Press the cut part of the ball in and out of the hole until a good suction has been created, and you will find the water will soon run away.

If the pipes are cleaned in this

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE

SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Buyers	Sellers	Deals	Nominal	THURSDAY 22, FEB.	Buyers	Sellers	Deals	Nominal
Banks								
\$1438	C.D.			H.K. Bank	\$1430			
				Do. (Col. Reg.)				
				Do. (Lon. Reg.)				
				Chartered Bank				
				Mercantile Bk. "A"				
				Mercantile Bk. "B"				
				Bank of East Asia				
				N. C. & S. Bank				
Insurance								
\$315				Canton Insurance	\$218			
\$470				Union Insurance	\$470			
\$182				Underwriters	90 cts.			
				H.K. Fire	\$182			
Shipping								
\$100				Douglas	\$100			
				Shanghai				
				Indo-China (Prof.)				
				Indo-China (Def.)				
				Shells				
				Waterboats	\$7.30			
				Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.				
\$4.60				H.K. & K. Wharves	\$101			
				Provident (new)	\$4.60			
				H.K. & W. Docks	\$22.10			
				Do. (new)	\$22.15			
				Shanghai Docks & New Engineering & Mining	\$34			
				Kailash				
				Baube	\$10			
				Venezuela Gold Wds				
				Hong Kong Mines				
				Lands, Hotels and Buildings				
\$38				H.K. Hotels	\$5.65			
				H.K. Lands	\$38			
				Do. 4% Debentures				
				Shanghai Lands & H.K. Realities	\$74			
				Telephone (old)				
				Telephone (new)	\$9.60			
				Traction (new)	\$100			
				Public Utilities				
\$17.55				Tramways	\$17.60			
				Park Tram (old)				
				Park Tram (new)	\$4			
				Star Ferry	\$25			
				Y.M.T. Ferry				
				Do. (new)				
				China Light (O)	\$8			
				China Light (New)				
				China Light R.R.				
				H.K. Electric	\$5.1			
				Miscellaneous				
				Bandana Light				
				Telephone (old)				
				Telephone (new)	\$9.60			
				Traction (new)	\$100			
				Industrial				
				Cald. Macg. (Ord.)	\$14.90			
				Cald. Macg. (Prof.)	\$12			
				Canton Loan	\$19			
				Cement	\$5.85			
				Ropes				
				Miscellaneous				
				Dairy Farm (Old)	\$22.30			
				Dairy Farm (New)	\$21.30			
				Ch. 2% Debentures	\$74			
				Construction (new)				
				Lane Crawford	\$74			
				Nanyang Tobacco	\$31			
				Sincere	\$2			
				Watsons	\$9.40			
				Ch. G. 5% 1925 G.Bds.				
				H.K. Govt. 4% Loans				
				H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loans				
				H.K. Wing On	\$10			
				S'hai Wing On				
				Vibro Filing				
				Marsman Inv. (H.K.)				
				Wm. Powells				
				*Sales to Shanghai				

Finance and Commerce

Tea Control Decision

SURPRISE OVER EXPORT FIGURE

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—The International Tea Committee's decision to maintain the exportable figure for the next regulation year at 92 per cent of standard exports has caused some surprise in tea circles.

100 PER CENT EXPECTED

While emphasizing that there is no shortage of stocks, they had believed that 100 per cent might have been fixed in view of the considerable increase in United Kingdom consumption, together with the fact that certain Empire consuming countries are acquiring larger supplies of Empire teas since the outbreak of war.

BUYING CONTRACTS

Some quarters express the opinion that the retention of the present quota lends colour to the recent suggestion that the British authorities may be considering negotiating buying contracts with Netherlands growers.

COAL SHORTAGE IN SOUTH OF ENGLAND DUE TO BAD WEATHER

ARRANGEMENTS TO EASE POSITION

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Making a statement on the coal position in the House of Commons yesterday, (Capt. Euan Wallace, Minister for Transport, said that the protracted spell of bad weather, including the particularly heavy falls of snow and the prevalence of fog and other wintry conditions at sea, which were a counterpart in Britain of the unprecedented icebound conditions which had prevailed throughout Europe, had created an increased demand for coal, while, at the same time, interfering with transport.

GOVERNMENT ACTION

Arrangements have been made to accelerate the movements of coal and he hoped that the situation in the areas where there had been a shortage of coal would soon be relieved. Additional supplies of coal to augment London and South England supplies were being arranged and an increase of 70,000 tons per week, involving 143 trains per week, would, thus reach the South.

RAILWAY SERVICES

The passage of this coal would necessitate a considerable reduction of passenger service on the main railway lines between Newcastle and London.

H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE

General enquiries led to the market becoming comparatively more active with a few stocks showing good advances. This was noticeable particularly with Electric, which opening with shares offering at \$38 switched suddenly to buyers taking all offered at that price. Later bids were increased to \$61 with sales at intervening rates. Later in the day it became known this Company is increasing its capital and as a start will issue one new share on bonus terms for each two held. Banks in sympathy with the rise in London changed hands at \$1450, closing sellers at \$1465.

BUYERS

Canton Ins., \$215.
Union Ins., \$470.
Fires Ins., \$182.
H.K. Docks, \$22.10.
Providents, \$4.85.
Lands, \$38.
Humphreys, \$7.70.
Star Ferry, \$64.
Yau-mat Ferry, \$25.
China Lights (O), \$7.90.
China Lights (N), \$5.
H.K. Electric, \$50.
Macao Electric, \$20.
Sandakan Light, \$114.
Telephones (O), \$26.80.
Dairy Farms (O), \$224.
Dairy Farms (N), \$21.40.
Entertainments, \$74.

SELLERS

H.K. Docks, \$224.
Providents, \$44.
Lands, \$384.
SALES
H.K. Banks, \$1450.

STEPS TAKEN TO DEVELOP BRITAIN'S EXPORT TRADE

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—THE STEPS WHICH ARE NOW BEING TAKEN TO DEVELOP GREAT BRITAIN'S EXPORT TRADE are outlined by Reuter's lobby correspondent, who says that the home market will have to yield to the need for exports, except for vital necessities.

The first aim is to recover the markets lost at the beginning of the war and the second is to extend them, as far as is possible, consistent with the supplies of raw materials.

Discussions are taking place between industrialists and Trade Unions with regard to the large number of workers required for expanded export trade. It is hoped that as a result of the work already done, there will be a noticeable increase in cotton exports.

Export of motor cars has been placed on a satisfactory basis by arrangements for allocation of steel and other metals required. It is also proposed to send missions abroad with a view to securing fresh markets and better methods of salesmanship and publicity are being discussed.

The potentialities of South American markets are being carefully examined and the question of coal supplies for Italy is receiving prompt consideration.

ACUTE COAL SHORTAGE IN SHANGHAI

PRESENT PRICE \$220 A TON

SHANGHAI, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—Owing mainly to the diverting of supplies to Japan, Shanghai is today facing the most acute shortage of coal in its history—and coal prices are rapidly soaring to threaten the record figure of \$350 (about \$7 at the present rate of exchange) a ton reached during the Great War.

The present price is \$220 a ton, compared with \$16 in the summer of 1937, just before the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities.

THE CAUSES

Causes responsible for the tremendous increase in prices are said to include:

1. Diverting to Japan, because of the shortage there, of Shantung and Keelung (Formosa) coal, which used to meet about 20 per cent of Shanghai's needs.
2. Mounting freight charges as the number of bottoms available for shipments of coal to Shanghai decrease.
3. Shortage of coal in India, whose production has been diverted to Europe to supply the requirements of the Allies.
4. Phenomenal declines in the exchange value of the Chinese Dollar.

RISING VALUE ON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange, rising values and expansion of business were the outstanding features in yesterday's markets.

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Viscount Cecil of Chelwood, in the House of Lords debate on economic warfare, urged separation of Britain's efforts to improve its commercial position and its blockade operations, so that neutrals would not think Britain was using belligerent rights "to build up our commercial position."

He also urged full Cabinet rank for the minister directing economic aspects of the war. Ronald H. Cross, the present Minister, does not have this rank, but the appointment of former War Secretary, Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, has been talked about for such a post.

TIN RESOURCES IN WAR EFFORT

No Reduction Of Quota Requested

LONDON, Feb. 22 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. Graham White (Lib) asked whether, in view of the forthcoming meeting of the International Tin Committee, Mr. MacDonald would see that no reduction or alteration in the quota was made unless he was satisfied that it would not interfere with the maximum use of Malaya's tin resources in the prosecution of the war.

GOVERNMENT REPLY

Mr. MacDonald replied that the quota decision rested with the International Tin Committee, but he felt sure the Malayan and Nigerian delegations would continue to maintain the interests of the Governments they represent in the Committee, including their interest in the effective prosecution of the war.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, Feb. 21.		(bearer)	18
The following quotations are the mid-market prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.			
War Loan, 3 1/2% (Red after 1952)	98-15/16	Chosen Corporation	8/6
Canton-K'loon Rly. 5%	16	Pekin Syndicate	1/6
Chinese 4 1/2% Gold Loan 1898 (Brit. Issue)	60	S'hai Elec. Constr. Co.	15
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	50	S'hai Waterworks "A"	14 1/2
Chin. 4 1/2% Anglo-French Loan, 1908	50	Union Insurance	27 1/2
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan, 1912	30	Galla Kalampong Rubber Allied Founders	21/10 1/2
Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Ia.)	40	Asso. & Elec. Industries	40/4 1/2
Chinese 8% Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers)	12	Austin Motors, ord.	16/7 1/2
Chin. Imperial Rly. 5% Loan	55	Cable & Wireless, New Form, ord.	64
Honan Rly. 5%	16	B.-A. Tob. (bearer)	102/6
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911	19	Mexican Eagle	12 1/2
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (German Issue)	17	Cannell Laird, ord.	8/6
Lung Tsing & U. Hai Rly. 5% 1913	14	Mexican Eagle	6/1 1/2
S'hai-N'King Rly. 5%	20	Courtaulds	38/1 1/2
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.)	18	Distillers	87/9
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (German Stpd.)	16	Dunlop Rubber	32
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	16	Gen. Electric (England)	79/1 1/2
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	16	Guinness (A) Son & Co.	73
Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1907	52 1/2	Hawker Siddeley Airc.	13/3
Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1924	56	Bristol Aeroplane	14/9
Ger. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924	7	Imperial Chemical Ind.	32/9
Chartered Bank	8-15/16	Imperial Tobacco	121/3
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	87	Marks & Spencer "A" ord.	52/6
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col. Reg.)	90	Rolls Royce	83/9
Chinese Eng. & Mining		Leyland Motors	72/6
		Tate & Lyle	53
		Turner & Newall	65/4 1/2
		United Steel	24/1 1/2
		Smithwick Drop Forg.	14
		Armstrong Stevens, ord.	6
		Pressed Steel, com.	15/9
		Vickers, ord.	21
		Woolworths	64/9
		Anglo-Dutch	28
		Rub. Plant Invest. Trust	34/8
		Burns Corporation	8/10 1/2
		Commonwealth Mining	14/9
		Marsman Investments	14/9
		Randfontein Estates	34/4 1/2
		Western Holdings	12
		Sub-Nigel	186/3
		Tanami Gold Mining	64
		Anglo-Iranian	57/8
		Burmah	69/4 1/2
		Shell Trans. & Trad. (bearer)	78/1 1/2
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Ropes, \$5/6.10.
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FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

BANKS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS
FEBRUARY 22, 1940

On London:	Telegraphic Transfer, 1/3 13/16
Bank Bills, on demand 1/3 13/16	Credits 4 months sight 1/3 1/8
On Shanghai:	On demand 34 3/4
On Singapore:	On demand 62 1/2
On Japan:	On demand 103 1/2
On India:	Telegraphic Transfer, 82 1/8
On New York:	Bank Bills, on demand 94 7/8
Credits, 60 days sight 94 1/8	On demand 45 1/2
On Batavia:	On demand 15 1/4
On Paris:	Bank Bills, on demand 98 5/8
Credits 4 months sight 114 0/0	On demand 108 1/4
On Saigon:	On demand 48 7/8
On Bangkok:	On demand 15 1/4
On Sterling Notes:	Bank Buying Rate 1/31/16
Bar Silver per oz. 20 3/8	

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

Silver prices dropped yesterday to the extent of 1/4 for Ready and 3/16 for Forward, the quotations being 203/8 and 207/16 respectively. Silver advances reported the market as being quiet with very poor support. American Silver was quoted at 343/4 for Spot.

The London New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 395 7/8.

Market
Appeared firm at the opening time but eased off to a lower business level at which it remained steady all day.

Sterling
Could have been obtained at 1/229/32 at the opening, buyers bidding 1/215/16 for Cash, resulting in some business at 1/229/32 for Cash and February and 1/2 7/8 July. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 1/27/8 February/June, buyers at 1/229/32 Cash and 1/27/8 July.

U.S. Dollars
Sellers at 24 1/16 Cash/February and 24 1/2 March, buyers at 24 5/8 Cash and 24 1/8 March.

Shanghai Dollars
Some business was arranged at 355, 355 1/2. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 254 1/2, buyers bidding 355 1/2.

Shanghai Market
Sellers for Spot at the opening were quoted at 43/16 and 629/32. Later the rate dropped to 45/32 and at the close sellers were again quoted at 43/16 and 629/32.

AFTERNOON MARKET
The market was quiet in the afternoon.

Sterling
The market closed with sellers at 1/27/8 February/June, buyers at 1/229/32 Cash and 1/27/8 July.

U.S. Dollars
Sellers at 24 1/16 Cash and 24 1/2 March, buyers at 24 5/8 Cash and 24 1/8 March.

Shanghai Exchange
Shanghai, Feb. 22 (Reuter).
Official T.T. Rates

London 0/4
New York 6-9/16
Japan 27-7/8
India 22-1/8
Paris 294
Hongkong 26-3/4

Sellers
Opening Closing
Spot 0/4-3/16 0/4-3/16
Feb. 0/4-11/64 0/4-3/16
Mar. 0/4-1/8 0/4-9/64

U.S. Dollars
Spot 88-29/32 88-29/32
Feb. 8-7/8 8-29/32
Mar. 8-25/32 8-13/16

Merchant Rates
Sterling, 0/4-5/32
U.S. Dollars, 8-13/16

Silver, Daily Rate
The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.
The Equalisation rate was 7 per cent.

India Rupee Paper
Bombay, Feb. 21 (Reuter).
Govt. 3% Rupee 95-4-0

Calcutta Exchange
Calcutta, Feb. 21 (Reuter).
T.T. on Japan, 80-1/8

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COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW

(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

NEW YORK, FEBRUARY 21, 1940.

SINGAPORE RUBBER	Previous	February 21	Change
Spot	38-1/2	38-1/8	off 3/8
APRIL-JUNE	38-3/8	38	off 1/8
JULY-SEPT.	34-7/8	34-1/2	off 1/8

The market was quiet.

LONDON RUBBER

S P O T	13-1/8	12-7/8	off 1/4
A P R I L	12-1/2	12-3/8	off 1/8
M A Y	12-1/16	11-7/8	off 3/16
J U L Y - S E P T	11-3/16	11-3/16	unch.
O C T . - D E C	11	10-15/16	off 1/16

After ruling quiet, the market eased on outside liquidation and

After ruling quiet, the market eased on outside liquidation and lack of interest.

NEW YORK COTTON: There has been further Bombay selling and scattered March liquidation. The mills continue the curtailment of textile production. Spots were quiet.

NEW YORK RUBBER: The scarcity of near shipment offerings from the East has a steady influence.

CHICAGO WHEAT: Recent snows are reported to have been inadequate to protect against subsequent sub-zero temperatures and the substantial continental demand for U.S. wheat reflects poor crop prospects both in Europe and Argentina. The Administration's intention to secure "parity" prices for agricultural products is a long range price-sustaining factor. The parity prices for wheat is \$1.13.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 148.65; Today's close, 148.34; Change, off, 31.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

	High	Low	Close	Change
New York Cotton, Mar.	11.05	11.01	11.04	01 off
New York Rubber, Mar.	18.82	18.68	18.75	03 up
Chicago Wheat, May	10.84	10.41	10.41	11 up
Chicago Corn, May	57 1/2	57 1/2	57 1/2	1 up
New York Hides, Mar.	14.28	14.11	14.21	10 off

NEW YORK COTTON	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
March	11.04/05	11.04/05	11.03/04	01 off
May	10.77/77	10.77/77	10.77/77	unch.
July	10.35/36	10.35/36	10.35/36	unch.
October	10.50 N	10.52/52	10.51 N	01 up
December	9.73/73	9.72/72	9.71/71	02 off
January	9.61/61	9.60/60	9.60/60	01 off
February	9.57 N	9.57/57	9.57 N	unch.
Spot	11.19 N		11.18 N	01 off

Total sales Tuesday's 49,000 bales.

First Notice Day for March Cotton—27/2—Last Notice Day—15/3

NEW YORK RUBBER	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
March	18.75/78	18.68/77	18.78/78	03 up
May	18.33/34	18.27/27	18.33/35a	unch.
July	18.14/14	18.04b/14a	18.09b/12a	05 off
September	17.86 B	17.87/87	17.87b/88a	01 up
December	17.70 N		17.68/68	02 off

Total sales: 1,420 tons.

First Notice Day for March Rubber—28/2—Last Trading Day—27/3

CHICAGO WHEAT	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	104/104 1/2	104 1/2/104 1/2	105 1/2/105 1/2	1 1/2 up
July	102 1/2/102 1/2	103 1/2/103 1/2	103 1/2/103 1/2	1 1/2 up
September	102 1/2/102 1/2		103 1/2/103 1/2	1 1/2 up

Tuesday's sales: 35,141,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	57 1/2/57 1/2	57 1/2/57 1/2	57 1/2/57 1/2	1 up
July	57 1/2/57 1/2		57 1/2/57 1/2	unch.
September	58 1/2/58 1/2		58 1/2/58 1/2	1 up

WINNIPEG WHEAT	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May	89/89	89/89	89 1/2/89 1/2	1 up
July	90/90 1/2		90 1/2/90 1/2	1 up
October	91 1/2/91 1/2		91 1/2/91 1/2	1 up

First notice day for March hides: 28/2/40 last trading day: 25/3/40.

NEW YORK HIDES	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
March	14.21 N	14.22/28	14.11b/15a	10 off
June	14.50/51	14.57/55	14.41/41	09 off
September	14.81/81	14.85/84	14.72/72	09 off

First notice day for March hides: 28/2/40 last trading day: 25/3/40.

NEW YORK SILVER	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
March	34-3/4	34-3/4	34-3/4	unch.
June	34-3/4	34-3/4	34-3/4	unch.
September	34-3/4	34-3/4	34-3/4	unch.

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March	34-3/4	34-3/4	34-3/4	unch.
June	34-3/4	34-3/4	34-3/4	unch.
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September	34-3/4	34-3/4	34-3/4	unch.

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March	34-3/4	34-3/4	34-3/4	unch.
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September	34-3/4	34-3/4	34-3/4	unch.

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March	34-3/4	34-3/4	34-3/4	unch.
June	34-3/4	34-3/4	34-3/4	unch.
September	34-3/4	34-3/4	34-3/4	unch.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

STOCKS	Last Sale	STOCKS	Last Sale
Adams Express	7 3/4	Kennecott Copper	38 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	22 1/2	Lake Foundry & Mac.	4 1/2
Allied Stores	83	Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	50 1/2
Allis Chalmers	37 1/2	Lockheed Aircraft	30 1/2
Aluminum Ltd.	95 1/2	Loew's Inc.	38 1/2
Amer. Can.	116	Mack Truck Inc.	25
American Cyanamid B.	37	Martin, Glen L.	40 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Power	1 1/2	McKesson & Robbins, pfd.	24 1/2
American Gas & Elec.	34 1/2	Montgomery Ward	53 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	19	National Aviation	12 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	24 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products	17 1/2
Amer. Radiator	6 1/2	Nat. Distillers	25
Amer. Rolling Mill	15	National Gypsum	11 1/2
Arter. S'ing and Ring Co.	50 1/2	National Lead	20 1/2
Amer. Sugar Refining	22 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	7 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	172	National Steel Corp.	68
Amer. Tobacco "B"	90 1/2	National Supply Corp.	8 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	10	New York Central	18 1/2
Anaconda Copper	30 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power	5 1/2
Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe.	23	N. American Aviation	24 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	1 1/2	North American Co.	22
Barber Asphalt Co.	14 1/2	Northern Pacific	8 1/2
Barnsdall Oil	11 1/2	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	62
Bendix Aviation	32 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.	34 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	78 1/2	Packard Lighting	47 1/2
Bliss & Co.	13 1/2	Paramount Pictures	7 1/2
Boeing Airplane Co.	23 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.	25 1/2
Borg-Warner	23 1/2	Phelps-Dodge	39 1/2
Bridgeport Brass Corp.	11 1/2	Phillips Petroleum	39 1/2
Briggs Mfg.	21 1/2	Pittsburgh Coke & Iron	7 1/2
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans.	20 1/2	Public Service of N.J.	41 1/2
Brooklyn-Manhattan S.	79 1/2	Pullman Inc.	21 1/2
Canadian Pacific Rwy.	5	Pure Oil	5 1/2
Case, J.I.	70	Radio Corp. of Am.	8 1/2
Celanese	38 1/2	Reading Company, Com.	15 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	85 1/2	Reading Company, 1st pfd.	25 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	38 1/2	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	4 1/2
Climax-Molybdenum Co.	79 1/2	Republic Aviation Corp.	21
Colts Patent Fire-Arms	79 1/2	Republic Steel	13 1/2
Columbia Gas & Elec.	6 1/2	Revere Cop. & Brass Inc.	41 1/2
Columbia 6% "A" pf.	89	Rockwell Tobacco "B"	41 1/2
Commercial Credit Co.	46 1/2	Richfield Oil	7 1/2
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	1 1/2	Safeway Stores	40 1/2
Consolidated Edison	32	Schenley Distillers	12 1/2
Consolidated Oil	7 1/2	Sears Roebuck	8 1/2
Continental Can	47 1/2	Shell Union Oil	11 1/2
Continental Oil	24 1/2	Socoy-Vacuum Oil	11 1/2
Copperweld Steel	15 1/2	Southern Pacific	13 1/2
Corn Products	64 1/2	Southern Ry 5% pfd.	29
Curtiss Wright (C)	10 1/2	Sperry	44 1/2
Curtiss Wright "A"	29 1/2	Speer Manufacturing Co.	32 1/2
Deere & Co.	21 1/2	Standard Brands	7
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	19	Stand Gas & Elec.	14
Douglas Aircraft	82 1/2	Standard Oil of California	24 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	18 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.	44
Eagle Picher Lead	10 1/2	Stoke & Webster	10 1/2
Eaton Mfg. Co.	31 1/2	Studebaker Corp.	12 1/2
Elec. Autolite	38 1/2	Swift International	31 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	7	Technicolor	15 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share 5% pf.	57 1/2	Texas Corp.	44 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share 8% pf.	58 1/2	Texas Gulf Sulphur	34 1/2
Elec. Power & Light 7% pf.	30	Timken-Axle	22 1/2
Flintkote	15 1/2	Trans-America Co.	5 1/2
Gen. American Trans.	55	20th Cent. Fox	12
Gen. Electric	38 1/2	20th Cent. Fox 5% pf.	23 1/2
Gen. Motors	54	Union Carbide & Carbon	84 1/2
Gen. Railway Signal	17 1/2	Union Pacific	94 1/2
Gen. Tire & Rubber	21	United Aircraft	47 1/2
Gillette Co.	18	United Airlines Trans.	15 1/2
Goodrich (B.F.)	10 1/2	United Corp. 5% cum pf.	41 1/2
Goodrich 5% pf.	64 1/2	United Gas Corp.	1 1/2
Goodyear Tire & Co.	24 1/2	United Gas Improvement	14 1/2
Great Northern Iron Ore	13 1/2	U.S. Industrial Alcohol	21 1/2
Great Northern Ry, pfd.	23 1/2	U.S. Rubber	57 1/2
Great Western Sugar	28 1/2	U.S. Rubber 5% pfd.	112 1/2
Greyhound Corp.	16 1/2	U.S. Steel	58
Hercules Powder Co.	89 1/2	Vanadium	33 1/2
Homestead Mining	34 1/2	Walworth Co.	5 1/2
International Harvester	56 1/2	Warner Bros. Pict.	3 1/2
Int. Nickel	37	Westinghouse Elec.	113 1/2
Int. Tel. & Tel.	3 1/2	Woodward Iron Cor.	24 1/2
Johns-Manville	70 1/2	Chase National Bank	35 1/2
J. & Laughlin Steel 7% pfd.	61 1/2	National City Bank	29 1/2

DOW JONES AVERAGE

1939	Feb. 22, 1940	Change
High	155.32	155.32
Low	151.41	151.41
Dow Jones Average	149.08	149.08
Industrial	149.08	149.08
Auto	149.08	149.08
Chemical	149.08	149.08
Electric	149.08	149.08
Food	149.08	149.08
Textile	149.08	149.08
Metals	149.08	149.08
Oil	149.08	149.08
Rubber	149.08	149.08
Shoes	149.08	149.08
Stamps	149.08	149.08
Tobacco	149.08	149.08
Transportation	149.08	149.08
Utilities	149.08	149.08
Wool	149.08	149.08
Yarn	149.08	149.08

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BOARDED SHIP WITHOUT GETTING PERMISSION

Tsang Wai Fan, a 25-year-old married woman, was charged before Commander G.F. Hole, at the Marine Court yesterday, with having boarded a ship in the harbour without the permission of the master or an officer of the vessel. She pleaded guilty and admitted a previous conviction for a similar offence about three months ago.

In sentencing her to a fine of \$30, or, in the alternative, two months hard labour, the Magistrate warned her that should she be brought before him again he would not give her the alternative of a fine.

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory

10 a.m., Feb. 22

Barometer (at sea level), 30.29 ins.
 Temperature, 63 F.
 Humidity, 59 per cent.
 Wind Direction, E/S
 Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.
 Temperature: maximum yesterday 68 F.
 Temperature, minimum last night, 57 F.
 Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10 a.m. 0.05 ins.
 Total rainfall since January 1st 0.33 ins.
 Against an average of 2.58 ins.
 Sunset tonight 6.23 p.m.
 Sunrise to-morrow, 6.50 a.m.
 4 p.m., Feb. 22.
 Barometer (at sea level), 30.17 ins.
 Temperature, 63 F.
 Humidity, 69 per cent.
 Wind Direction, E/S
 Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.
 Maximum temperature, 69 F.
 Minimum temperature, 57 F.
 Rainfall, nil.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 23 to 29 Feb. 1940.

Days of Week	Date of Month	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Fri.	23	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
		09 40	5 0	03 25	0 6
		1 20	7 7	14 49	3 4
Sat.	24	10 15	5 5	04 50	0 8
		22 10	7 8	15 38	2 0
Sun.	25	10 43	5 8	04 35	0 9
		23 40	7 1	16 25	1 8
Mon.	26	11 29	6 0	05 10	1 2
		23 50	6 5	17 14	1 7
Tue.	27	12 12	6 0	05 45	1 7
		00 48	5 7	18 09	1 9
Wed.	28	12 51	6 1	06 18	2 3
		01 50	6 0	06 50	2 8
Thur.	29	13 40	6 0	06 28	2 4

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Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL, Agent.

Hong Kong, 1940.

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Children Ailments: The Danger Of Infection

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT)

In my younger days the belief was very general that every child would suffer at some time or another from numerous ailments, such as measles, chicken-pox and mumps. Many parents used to regard these as unpreventable and so took no precautions against their children becoming infected. It is known nowadays that there is not the slightest reason why the kiddies should contract these complaints.

Children do, however, come into contact with infection of different sorts and they are liable to be affected. This is particularly true when they are a little below par, because at such a time their power of resisting infection is low. At this time of the year there is always a chance that the kiddies become pale and thin and listless and generally out-of-sorts.

PROPER DIET

One of the most important factors in the maintenance of the children's health, as it is in the case of older persons, is the provision of an adequate and proper diet. Every individual part of the body depends upon the food we eat day by day for those restorative elements needed for their upkeep, for those substances required for the correct functioning and for those special nerve-feeding elements which mean all the difference between abundant health and "below-par-ness". It is not suggested for the moment that your children do not get plenty of high quality food, because I am certain you take particular care to see that they do. But it is not quite so certain that their diet is altogether right in that it provides every nutritive element. If you rely solely upon the ordinary foods in general daily use there is every chance that the diet is deficient simply because these foods are deficient in themselves.

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The best advice that can be given is that a special food should be introduced into the daily diet. The food I have in mind is that delicious tonic food beverage, Ovaltine—the food beverage which is made up to a quality and not down to a price. Why not make Ovaltine the mealtime beverage? You will soon see what a difference it makes to the kiddies' health and give them freedom from those troubles to which many children are prone.

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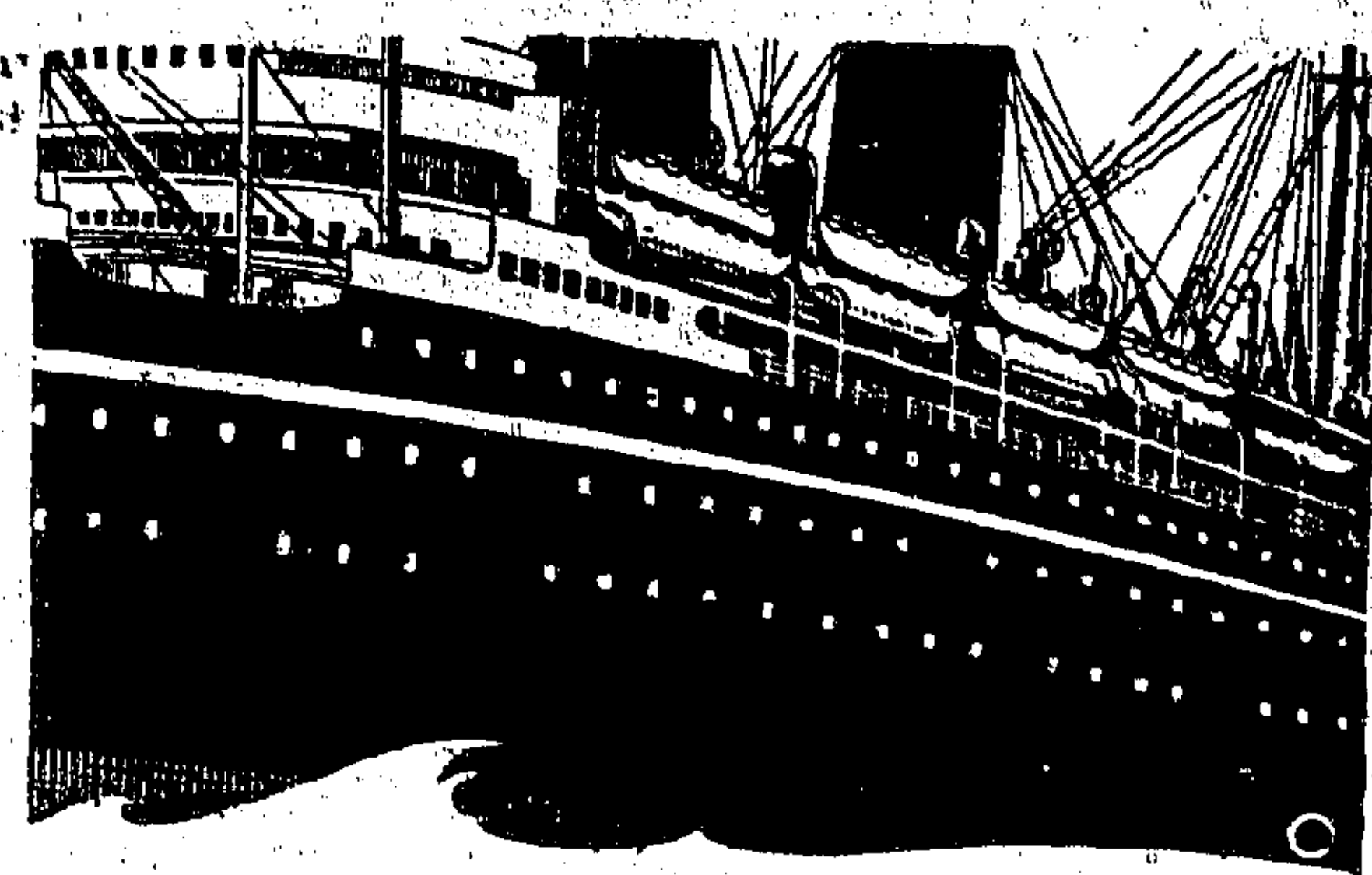
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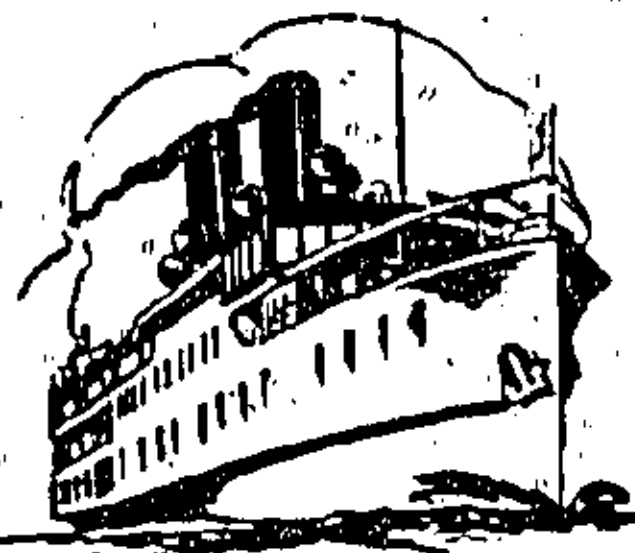
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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, 23rd FEBRUARY, 1940, 9.30 A.M.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

INWARD MAILS

From	Due
Calcutta and Straits	23rd Feb.
Manila	23rd Feb.
U. S. A. Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 20th January)	23rd Feb.
U.S.A. Honolulu, Japan, Shanghai & Manila (San Francisco date, 28th January)	24th Feb.
Canton	24th Feb.
Shanghai	24th Feb.
Haiphong, Hoihow & Fort Bayard	24th Feb.
Shanghai	25th Feb.
Japan	25th Feb.
Straits	25th Feb.
Sandakan	25th Feb.
Canton	25th Feb.
Japan	25th Feb.
Manila	25th Feb.
Shanghai and Amoy	25th Feb.
Sandakan	26th Feb.
Amoy	26th Feb.
Straits	26th Feb.
Haiphong	26th Feb.
Manila	26th Feb.
Manila	26th Feb.
Bangkok and Tourane	26th Feb.
Shanghai	27th Feb.
U.S.A. Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 18th January)	27th Feb.
Europe via Suez and Straits (London date, 15th December, 1939)	27th Feb.
Haiphong	27th Feb.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 17th February	28th Feb.
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 21st February	28th Feb.
Shanghai	28th Feb.
Shanghai	28th Feb.
Shanghai	28th Feb.
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon	28th Feb.
Shanghai	28th Feb.
Japan and Shanghai	28th Feb.
Japan and Shanghai	28th Feb.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 21st February	29th Feb.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 21st February	29th Feb.
Japan and Shanghai	29th Feb.
Tientsin	29th Feb.
Japan	29th Feb.
Haiphong and Hoihow	29th Feb.
Canada, U.S.A. Japan and Shanghai—(Vancouver B.C. date, 10th February)	29th Feb.
Japan and Shanghai	29th Feb.
Canton	29th Feb.

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For	Date and Time
FRIDAY	
Amoy and Shanghai	Fri 23rd 10.00 AM
Amoy and Shanghai	2.30 PM
Manila	7.00 PM
SATURDAY	
Straits	Sat 24th 8.30 AM
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	10.30 AM
Parcels only for Tientsin	2.30 PM
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu U.S.A., Central and South America via San Francisco—due San Francisco 17th March	G.P.O. & K.P.O. 4.00 PM
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Haiphong	Ord. 5.30 PM
Saigon	Ord. 5.30 PM
SUNDAY	
Formosa, Shanghai and Japan	Sun 25th 9.00 AM
Shanghai (Parcels only)	9.00 AM
Saigon, Sandakan, Madang, Salamais, Rabaul and Tulagi	9.00 AM
MONDAY	
Canton	Mon 26th 7.15 AM
Haiphong	1.00 PM
Fort Bayard, and Hoihow	1.30 PM
Canton	7.00 PM
TUESDAY	
Batavia and Sourabaya	Tue 27th 9.30 AM
Straits and Calcutta	Parcels 11.00 AM
Amoy	Ord. 2.30 PM
Bangkok	2.30 PM
Manila, Straits, Ceylon, India East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Naples—due Naples 24th March	G.P.O. & K.P.O. 2.45 PM
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 5th March	Reg. 3.30 PM
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney 4th March	Reg. 5.00 PM
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney 4th March	Ord. 7.00 PM
WEDNESDAY	
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu U.S.A., Central and South America via San Francisco—due San Francisco 21st March	Reg. 5.00 PM
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America via Vancouver B.C. (Parcels for Canada only)—due Vancouver B.C. 18th March	Ord. 5.30 PM
Shanghai	Reg. 5.00 PM
Shanghai	Ord. 5.30 PM

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RACE MEETING

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Note:—One entry only will be made for Races 3 and 7. Entries will be divided into First and Second Sections by a draw.

4.—Hongkong Handicap (1st Sec.) (1½ Miles)

Winner \$750, 2nd \$300, 3rd \$200. For China Ponies that have started at a race meeting of this club since Feb. 18, 1940, and have not won. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5.

Note:—One entry only will be made for Races 4 and 8. Entries will be divided into First and Second Sections at the discretion of the handicapper.

5.—Moonie Ponds H'dicap (1st Sec.) (1 Mile)

Winner \$750, 2nd \$300, 3rd \$200. For Australian Subscription Ponies of any season that have started at a race meeting of this club since Feb. 18, 1940, and have not won. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5.

Note:—One entry only will be made for Races 5 and 9. Entries will be divided into First and Second Sections at the discretion of the handicapper.

6.—Hongkong Handicap (2nd Sec.) (See Race No. 4)

7.—Randwick Plate (2nd Sec.)
8.—All Out Stakes (6 Furlongs) (See Race No. 3)

Winner \$750, 2nd \$300, 3rd \$200. For China Ponies that have started at a race meeting of this club since Feb. 18, 1940, and have not won. Weight for inches as per scale. Grifins of this Season and ponies classified "A" and "B" Classes barred. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5.

9.—Moonie Ponds H'dicap (2nd Sec.) (See Race No. 5)

DAILY DOUBLE EVENT:—Fifth and Seventh Races.

ANNUAL MEETING OF "LITTLE FLOWER CLUB"

The twelfth annual ordinary general meeting of "The Little Flower Club," Kowloon, was held at the Clubhouse, Nathan Road yesterday evening, the Club Patron, the Rt. Rev. Mgr. H. Valorta, being in the Chair.

Addressing the meeting, Bishop Valorta said that though the Club was not officially a unit of Catholic Action, it was being ruled by the same principles and was, therefore, a factor for good.

He noticed from the Club report that a record donation of \$2,000 had been accorded the St. Vincent de Paul Society, and he was sure the Club was doing much social work in favour of the lot of working girls, especially of the Portuguese community.

He congratulated the energetic Club committee and hoped to see all again next year in the new Clubhouse at King's Park.

Permission to erect this new building has been granted by the Building Authority, the Club's annual report states.

NEW OFFICERS

Officers elected were: President, Miss A. Baptista; Vice-President, Miss H. Silva; Secretary, Miss E. Rocha; Hon. Treasurer, Miss A. Cordeiro; Committee: Misses H. Baptista, L. Figueiredo, M. Braga, R. C. P. Xavier and L. de Sousa. Balloting Committee: Misses B. Remedios, E. Rocha, E. Sousa, I. Jorge, G. Assumpcao and E. Silva.

Macao Race Meeting

PROGRAMME FOR MARCH 3

The draft programme for the March race meeting of the Macao Jockey Club to be held on March 3, 1940, is as follows:—

1ST RACE, 2.30 p.m. The pleasant Quarters Handicap. Winner \$150, Second \$75, Third \$50. For China Ponies, Subscription Ponies of this Club of any season. Subscription Grifins of the Hongkong Jockey allowance. Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs.

2ND RACE, 3 p.m. The Republican Handicap. (First Section) Winner \$175, Second \$75, Third \$50. For China Ponies classified by the Hongkong Jockey Club as "E" class. Jockey allowance. Entrance \$5. Once Round.

N. B.—One entry only will be made for the Republican Handicap. (Races 2 and 4) Entries will be divided into 1st and 2nd Sections at the discretion of the Handicapper.

3RD RACE, 3.30 p.m. The Democratic Handicap. (First Section) Winner \$200, Second \$100, Third \$75. For China Ponies classified by the Hongkong Jockey Club as "D" class. Jockey allowance. Entrance \$5. Five Furlongs.

N. B.—One entry only will be made for the Democratic Handicap. (Races 3 and 5) Entries will be divided into 1st and 2nd Sections at the discretion of the Handicapper.

4TH RACE, 4 p.m. The Republican Handicap. (Second Section) Winner \$175, Second \$75, Third \$50. For China Ponies classified by the Hongkong Jockey Club as "E" class. Jockey allowance. Entrance \$5. Once Round.

5TH RACE, 4.30 p.m. The Victory Handicap. Winner \$175, Second \$75, Third \$50. For China Ponies, Subscription Ponies of this Club of any season, Subscription Grifins of the Hongkong Jockey Club, barred. Jockey allowance. Entrance \$5. One Mile.

6TH RACE, 5 p.m. The Democratic Handicap. (Second Section) Winner \$200, Second \$100, Third \$75. For China Ponies classified by the Hongkong Jockey Club as "D" class. Jockey allowance. Entrance \$5. Five Furlongs.

Entries close at 4 p.m. on Monday, February 28, at the Secretary's office, Gloucester Building.

In connection with the "Victory Handicap" the 5th Race on the programme a special \$1 sweep is being conducted. The cost of a through ticket, including a change in the Special Sweep, is \$7 per set, and is obtainable from the Club's office, 2nd floor, Gloucester Building.

COMMISSIONS FOR LOCAL RESIDENTS

Six Hongkong civilians have been granted emergency commissions with the Royal Artillery in the Colony for the duration of the war.

They are: E. A. Bompas, M. S. Banner, E. L. Taverner of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank staff here; F. W. Moon of the Peninsula and Oriental S.N. Co.; W. J. Roberts of the Atlantic Petroleum Company and C. Champkin formerly Chief A.P.F. Warden.

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moral allies of the weak and oppressed not because of sentimentality but in accordance to our best with same rights, and that no one else that we are all equals, born is entitled to determine the life of others, especially by force.

POTENTIAL RESOURCES

My country is considered to be one of the biggest potential places; foreign observers have always stressed our wealth in natural resources in order to point out that, when the time comes and with our raw materials fully developed, Argentina will place herself in a leading and powerful position among the first nations.

If such a day ever arrives, if it is true that the tomorrow reserves for us such a privilege, let me sincerely hope that we may retain our today's ideals, our actual respect for law, justice, liberty and peace.

MORAL VALUES

Argentina will not be powerful enough in our eyes if she loses her traditions in moral values; to us power does not mean money nor military strength; we appreciate better moral power over physical power, and, in our opinion, a really powerful position can only be obtained if soul, mind and body, work together for higher standards in ethics, in art, and in a science dedicated to improve and, not to kill, human beings.

Such is the moral power that for us is everlasting; when the mechanical power of mass and the dynamism of force by force have already spent itself, the spirit still remains as fresh as ever without a single loss.

The speaker then referred to the fact that, in spite of its size, Argentina had a population of only 13,000,000 people and added that here were some economic observers, with himself occupying a leading position among them, who believed that some day the land will be nationalised and that they would be able to start a new colonisation movement calling on settlers to live and work there and to share the profits of the country's good earth.

PUBLIC WORKS R.C. HOLD ANNUAL DANCE

More than 250 persons had an enjoyable time last night at the annual dance of the Public Works Recreation Club, which was held in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel.

Excellent music by Art Carneiro and his orchestra and entertaining cabaret items by Mr. D. Kosciak, Miss Violet Lee, Mr. J. T. K. O'Leary, Miss Helen Lum, Mr. Nannak and Mr. L. Williamson contributed to the evening's delight.

At the official table with the Hon. Mr. A. B. Purves, Director of Public Works, were the Colonial Secretary, the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, the Hon. Dr. P. S. and Mrs. Selwyn-Clarke, the Hon. Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Lo, Mr. W. J. Carrie and Mr. and Mrs. F. Flynn.

Half of the proceeds are being given to the British War Organisation Fund.

LADIES' NIGHT

An entertaining time was enjoyed by a large number of people who were present at the European Y.M.C.A. last night for the Ladies' Night. Amongst the items on the programme were amusing plays, which caused a great deal of merriment.